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Electric Power Station Blown Up

Powerful New Dive-Bomber

Washington, Aug. 27.—The Air Force said today that its new jet-propelled dive-bomber can swoop in on a target at better than 500 m.p.h. and drop 200-pound bombs inside a 50-foot circle.

The plane is the F-80 Lockheed Shooting Star fighter adapted to carry bombs.

An air force officer said it could run rings around the World War II dive-bombers, including the much publicized Stuka used by the Nazis.

The air force will demonstrate the new dive-bomber at the Cleveland air show on September 4, 5 and 6.—United Press.

SIAM SAID WILLING TO SHUT BORDER

Bangkok, Aug. 27.—Siam was prepared to grant a British request to close her Malayan frontier to facilitate operations against the Malayan insurgents, a high authority said here today.

Confirming reports that a request had been made by Britain, he said that the Siamese Government had not yet taken a decision on it but was prepared to accede if it will really "help our common objective in getting rid of the Communist lawlessness in the frontier regions."

He added, however, that except for railway and highway posts which the Communists were unlikely to use, the frontier would always be closed by nature. The Siamese Government doubted whether a closure of the border on paper would help much in dealing with the insurgents. An official party, led by an important personage, was at present inspecting the frontier districts and the Government was awaiting its report, he added.

Official sources also confirmed that British military and police patrols may cross 15 miles into Siamese territory in pursuit of the insurgents without having to secure a special permit. No high-level agreement had been reached on this, but arrangements were made by the local authorities on the spot with the approval of the Siamese Government. It was added, British Army trucks using the highways is southern Siam were escorted by Siamese police, official quarters said.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Tito Versus Stalin

It is obvious now that Marshal Tito's excommunication from the Cominform was but the first move in a Kremlin plot to bring about the downfall of the Yugoslav dictator. What now remains to be seen is whether the Soviets are powerful enough to carry out the design. The Russians have evidently underestimated the force of Tito's personality, and his ability to stamp on disaffected elements by the employment of just those methods that the men of the Kremlin have marked effect on their own country. They also appear to have failed to appreciate the force of economic laws. They rejected co-operation in European recovery under the Marshall Plan and insisted that such co-operation should likewise be rejected in all countries they control. Russia was going to be the fountain of commercial prosperity in the place of the United States, but it has become clear she cannot fulfil these obligations. Austerity is showing its face increasingly in the satellite countries and not the least in Tito's Yugoslavia. Russia has consistently professed to regard the dispute in Yugoslavia as strictly a Cominform row. The facade of unity between the Kremlin and the actual governments of the satellite countries must be preserved. But there have been two developments in the Yugoslavia quarrel to indicate that it goes deeper than just a dispute with the Cominform. The first was the clandestine introduction into Yugoslavia of pamphlets published by Moscow's Pravda press, containing correspondence between the Soviet and Yugoslav leaders. Pravda's position being what it is, this could only have been done under the official direction of the Soviet Government.

Anti-Indecency Campaign

Rome, August 27.—Police campaign for decency on beaches, dance-halls and fashionable resorts reached a climax today with installation of powerful searchlights on the beaches of Frejene near Rome to spot scantly-clad night bathing parties.

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IRAQ TROOPS PREPARE

Another report from Amman, Transjordan capital, states that Iraqi troops are taking up positions along-side Transjordan Legionaries and around Jerusalem following last Monday's decision by the two countries to merge their armies in Palestine.

It was believed they were reinforcing their defences in the Holy City "against eventualities."

The Arab Legion's Jerusalem Command today reported uninterrupted mortar and rifle fire on Arab positions in southern Jerusalem last night.

Front-line irregulars reported beating off Jewish attacks with Jewish losses estimated at 40 casualties.

Two Russian Officers Shot

Godlar, Germany, Aug. 27.—The German border police near here reported today that two Russian officers have been shot and killed by an illegal border crosser on his way over from the Soviet to the British zone of occupation.

The police said that their report came from other border crossers whom they are interrogating. The dramatic shooting of General Yevanovich by a frontier guard, the situation took an even more ironical twist. To Tito the Kremlin is an all-denying dictator. To Yevanovich it was Tito who was the oppressor. It is not Communism that Tito dislikes, but the Kremlin's brand of Communism. It is probable that Yevanovich, the Montenegrin of passionate revolutionary sentiment, disliked Tito's brand of Communism more than the Kremlin's. As the complexities of the situation increase it is natural to ponder on certain sentiments recently expressed. In Belgrade, for instance, has stormed against the "swindling machinations of the Yugoslav Communist Party." A Yugoslav Communist party newspaper has stormed the "Hungarian secret police" for exercising "unthinkable pressure and terror" against the Congress of Slav minority in Hungary. From whichever quarters these sentiments come, they have an oddly and uncomfortably familiar ring.

FRENCH GOVT. RESIGNS

Paris, Aug. 27.—Premier Andre Marie and his month-old French Government resigned today.—United Press.

ARAB IRREGULARS STRIKE IN JERUSALEM

Talk Of Direct Peace Negotiations

London, Aug. 27.—Jerusalem's electric power station, operating under the United Nations Truce Commission, was blown up last night, according to an Amman report today. Arab irregulars were blamed for the attack.

In Rhodes, headquarters of the Palestine Mediator, Count Folke Bernadotte, it was learned that true observers in the Holy City had reported "general deterioration." It was thought the Mediator might cut short his visit to Sweden to return to Rhodes.

Meanwhile, a state-controlled Beirut radio broadcast picked up in Tel-Aviv this morning declared that the Arab States might find a "reasonable solution" to the Palestine war by direct negotiations with the Jews—believed to be the first official Arab expression of this view.

The Lebanese commentator said that if Arab leaders decided on direct talks "without Western pressure," they would not betray their people, but would be trying to serve them, save life and restore the rights of Palestine Arabs.

The alternative was to fight for occupation of the whole of Palestine, which would "cost a thousand Arab lives."

An Israeli spokesman said the broadcast was a sign of "realism" and might contribute to Middle East stability. Both Arabs and Jews denied this week reports that direct negotiations had started, but the Israeli Government announced recently that it was willing to open talks.

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At Lake Success, meanwhile, Egypt today protested to the United Nations that Zionists broke into the Egyptian Consulate in Hofra on July 12.

The complaint was made in a letter to the United Nations Secretary-General Mr Trygve Lie.—Reuter.

Has World's Best Legs



Artist John Varga and Actress Ava Gardner were among the judges at Santa Monica, Calif., who selected Pat Hall (above), 21, as the girl with the "Most Beautiful Legs in the World." The Los Angeles model holds trophy she won from 23 other finalists.—AP Picture.

Envoy Spend Three More Hours At Kremlin

VYSHINSKY PRESENT AT CONFERENCE

Moscow, Aug. 27.—The three Western envoys tonight spent two hours and 55 minutes at the Kremlin with the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov, who was accompanied, for the first time, by M. Andrei Vyshinsky, his deputy.

After the meeting, the eighth crisis meeting, the envoys drove straight to the British Embassy, where Mr Frank Roberts, Britain's special representative, said that no communiqué would be issued tonight, thus disappointing observers who had expected an interim announcement on the month's secret talks.

It had been expected earlier to-day that a communiqué would be issued, detailing what has so far been attained in the talks and giving some indication of the next step.

The United States Ambassador, General Walter Bedell Smith, first of the diplomats to enter the Embassy, said: "Molotov, also Vyshinsky—no comment."

The Western diplomat immediately went into conference in the Ambassador's study to prepare their joint report. Observers thought Mr Roberts' comment might imply the possibility that a communiqué would be issued tomorrow.

LAST MEETING?

In that case, it was assumed that it would be a four-capital conference after reference to the three Western capitals for approval. Tonight's meeting is the first occasion that M. Vyshinsky has attended the four-power talks since they began on July 31. Only July 29, he left Moscow for the Danube Conference in Belgrade and did not return to Moscow until last week.

Observers thought tonight's meeting would not be the last Kremlin meeting.

The envoys went to the Kremlin after a separate meeting earlier in the day between General Bedell Smith and M. Yves Chataigner, the French Ambassador, which lasted just under an hour. The significance of this conference was not explained, but the envoys stated previously that there was no particular significance in whether they met separately or all together.

The last Kremlin meeting was on Monday when the Western representatives conferred with Marshal Stalin for the second time, talking with him for nearly five hours. He was believed to have stressed Russia's desire for a peaceful settlement of the East-West differences on Germany and sought to smooth over the difficulties which had arisen in the talks.

If this plan has been agreed upon, the next step is expected to be the despatch of instructions to the four Military Governors in the German capital to work out and agree on the practical measures for its application.

The basic question, observers in London suggest, is how far Russia is prepared to go in agreeing that Berlin should, as the Western powers demand, continue to have a special economic status under four-power authority.—Reuter.

SMALL LANDSLIDE

The heavy rain early this morning caused a small landslide and partially blocked the road between Jardine's Corner and Magazine Gap. Cars were able to get through, though not without some difficulty.

Soviets Fail To Guarantee Protection For Berlin Assembly Hall

Berlin, Aug. 27.—General Alexander Kotikov, the Soviet Commandant in Berlin, failed to respond to a request by the City Assembly's President for an assurance by eight o'clock tonight that the Assembly Hall would be protected against Communist demonstrations.

After two invasions of the City Hall by Communist demonstrators within 24 hours, the pro-Western Assembly threatened to move from the Soviet sector if the Russians did not give this assurance sought by Dr Otto Suhr, the President, in a letter to General Kotikov.

British officials confirmed that a letter has been sent by Dr Suhr to the Russians—reportedly demanding the banning of demonstrations and public meetings in the City Hall—but said they say nothing of its contents.

Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, arrived at Buckeburg Airport in the British Zone from Britain today on a three-day visit to the Rhine Army headquarters at Bad Oeynhausen, where he is to address staff officers. Lord Montgomery may possibly visit one of the allied airfields but is not expected to come to Berlin.—Reuter.

Some political circles here believed that the Communist demonstrations were aimed at forcing the Assembly to meet in one of the Western sectors, whereupon the Communists could set up their own administration in the City Hall, proclaiming it the only legal administration of Berlin.—Reuter.

Dr Ferdinand Friedensburg, acting Lord Mayor of Berlin, told reporters that the demonstrators who broke up a City Assembly meeting this morning got into the Hall when a Soviet Union officer, Major Ordilchev, insisted on being let out of the locked main door instead of a side door.

PRESS GALLERY SPEECH

After they had occupied the British sector, just inside the British sector and may ask the British authorities to declare the Reichstag area a neutral zone.

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Among the wanted men is Malaya's best-known Communist propagandist Wu Tien-wang, who attended the British Empire Communist Congress in Britain in 1946, and is regarded as one of the "Top Three" Malayan Communists.

He accused the pro-Western major of the Assembly of coveting in the face of the indigenous working population and said the Socialists' Unity Party, unlike the other parties, was ready and willing to get the Assembly meeting under way immediately.

Herr Karl Maron, leader of the Socialist Unity minority in the Assembly, told the demonstrators the Berlin City Administration "is finished and it is up to you now."

The Assembly, if forced to move, may hold its first meeting tomorrow in the ruins of the Reichstag, the pre-Hitler German Parlia-

Malayan Govt. Offers Big Reward For Chinese Communists

ned. It is not known whether he attended this Congress.

The wanted members of the former People's Anti-Japanese Army, which now calls itself the Anti-British Army, include Chan Tian, commander in Johore who went to Prague after the London Victory march to attend a Youth Congress. Afterwards he spent several months in Britain.

Forty Chinese guerrillas, who poured small arms fire into a rubber factory in Pahang State yesterday, were driven off after a short skirmish the police reported here today.

The guerrillas fired over 100 shots at buildings in the Semantan rubber estate in the Mantakab district and were believed to have suffered one casualty before retiring.

The news blackout on anti-guerrilla operations continued despite a lecture tour of Malaya by Lee Song-nan, another of the Communist agents who took part in the World Federation of Democratic Youth Congress at Calcutta earlier this year. Just before a Calcutta Communist Congress was held, at which it was asserted the Malayan Communists' insurrection was planned.

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Other incidents reported from different parts of the Federation, where arrests in the past 24 hours

have reached 32, were the stoning of a mail train last night south of Kompat, in Perak, and the kidnapping of a Chinese boy near his home at Pahok, Johore.

The police here today withdrew a charge of murder against Mohamed Zain Bin Rajan, a Malay detained by the authorities since June 9 in connection with the shooting in northwest Malaya of Mr John Ramsden, the planter son of Sir John Ramsden, the British immigrant.

The police said the withdrawal of the charge did not constitute an acquittal and a magistrate ordered that the man should be detained.

Mr Ramsden, 46, an old managing director of the Caledonia Estates in Wellesley Province, northwest Malaya, was found dead at his home in June.

Two Seaford Highlanders were sentenced at Johore Bahru today to one year's rigorous imprisonment for stealing 20 packets of cigarettes from a house near Merlimp, Johore while on guard duty.

The prosecutor said the men had by a matter of days escaped charges of robbery while under arms, which was punishable by death.—Reuter.

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British Film-Makers Have A New Technique

By MARC ALLEGRET

Director of "Blanche Fury" and other films

It is not surprising that the British cinema is becoming one of the foremost in the world. To make a picture is to tell a story, and the British people have a special gift for the art of fiction. British novelists have a sense of characterisation, which has raised the novel to a position of eminence in the literature of the world. They show an understanding of life, and a com-

prehension of detailed atmosphere. These are the very qualities that picture-making demands.

The British are thus able to use the film medium with a subtlety of expression which often attains greatness, and their films are achieving a world-wide success which is well deserved.

Consider for example, "Brief Encounter," a film outstanding

for the discretion with which the theme was handled. In the hands of a German or a Frenchman it might have developed into a less delicately balanced picture. Another film which comes to mind is "The Way to the Stars," which, because of its reticence and refusal to exploit what was so obviously a "good situation," was one of the most poignant films I have ever seen. Nothing could have been more simple or more sincere. A handful of men and women, with their everyday feelings, their love of life and their courage in the face of death, attained an individuality which was effective and moving.

This sincere quality in British pictures is distinctive. The eye of the camera is focused on reality—the reality of life—and it is the meaning of the British way of life that it tries to penetrate.

Subtle Influence

THE School of Documentaries, evolved during the war years, has had a subtle influence on contemporary British directors. The directors of "Brief Encounter" (David Lean) and "Odd Man Out" (Carol Reed), have not forgotten realism and have taken care to preserve a truthful background to the theme.

In this respect the English cinema, in spite of its often impersonal technique, is closely allied to the cinema of Europe, which has always been more realistic and intellectual than that of Hollywood, where the primary object is to entertain. Pictures like "Oliver Twist" and "The Red Shoes," as well as those already mentioned, are "thinking" pictures. It would be impossible to deny that "Odd Man Out" owes something to "Quai des Brumes" or Pabst's "Beggars' Opera."

Best From Both

THIS European influence might have interfered very considerably with the development of the British cinema, but it has not, and it is very interesting to see how successfully it has been counterbalanced by the influence of America.

Placed between Paris and Hollywood, Britain has taken the best from both. From Europe the taste for difficult subjects, intelligence and daring; from America the polish of high technical achievement. Taking full advantage of these contrary lessons she has subdued them to an art which expresses her own rugged temperament, and has introduced to the world a new and individual technique of film making.

The Britons who go to Hollywood no longer as students but as teachers, and it is significant that, after importing directors from Germany and from France, Hollywood is now seeking for the best that Britain has to offer.

OF STARS AND STUDIOS:

Secret Malaya War To Be Filmed

"OPERATION MALAY," a melodrama by Manchester Boddy based upon an actual and hitherto secret phase of the war effort in the Far East which played vital part in the Allied victory, will be filmed by RKO Radio for the 1949 programme.

Dore Schary first became interested in "Operation Malay" two years ago, before he assumed charge of production at RKO, and began negotiations for its purchase. Conditions made it impossible to complete definite plans for its filming until the present time.

"BATTLEGROUND" is based upon factual incidents of the battle of Bastogne, better known as "The Battle of the Bulge" and credited by historians as the turning point of World War II. Robert Pirosh, its author, has secretly been working on the screenplay for more than a year and now has finished script which bears the complete approval of the War Department. Pirosh is a combat veteran and was decorated with the Bronze Star for valour at Bastogne.

Jesse L. Lasky and Walter MacEwen will produce "Battleground" in co-operation with the War Department. It will be enacted by a cast headed by five top male stars: Robert Mitchum, Victor Mature, Robert Ryan, Jack Palance and Bill Williams.

BRITISH actor Alan Napier has been engaged by Samuel Goldwyn as voice coach for "Take Three Tenses," to help members of the cast develop English accents.

Napier's last coaching chore was "Forever Amber," for which he spent 18 weeks perfecting the restoration accents of the American-born principals.

THE other day, Gary Cooper strolled past a dressing room bearing the name "Ben Johnson." He didn't know it, but inside was a lanky cowboy whom producers have labelled another Gary Cooper. A former stunt man, he has just been handed a seven-year contract and the lead in "Mr. Joseph Young of Africa."

Ironically, if Ben turns out to be Gary's successor, it will be the latter's own fault. Eight years ago Gary told the Oklahoma wrangler doubling for him that he ought to be in pictures and gave him a letter to the Screen Actors' Guild which got him an actor's card. After doubling for Cooper and nearly every other top male star, Johnson attracted attention by his horsemanship and daring in "Fort



MUSIC and romance against a colonial canvas of Venice in the spring and London in the autumn highlight "Keep Me Never," the film adaptation of the novel by Margaret Kennedy, which comes to the Queen's Theatre tomorrow. Ida Lupino and Errol Flynn are the young lovers in this continuation of the tale of the Bohemian, Bohemian singer family begun in "The Constant Nymph."

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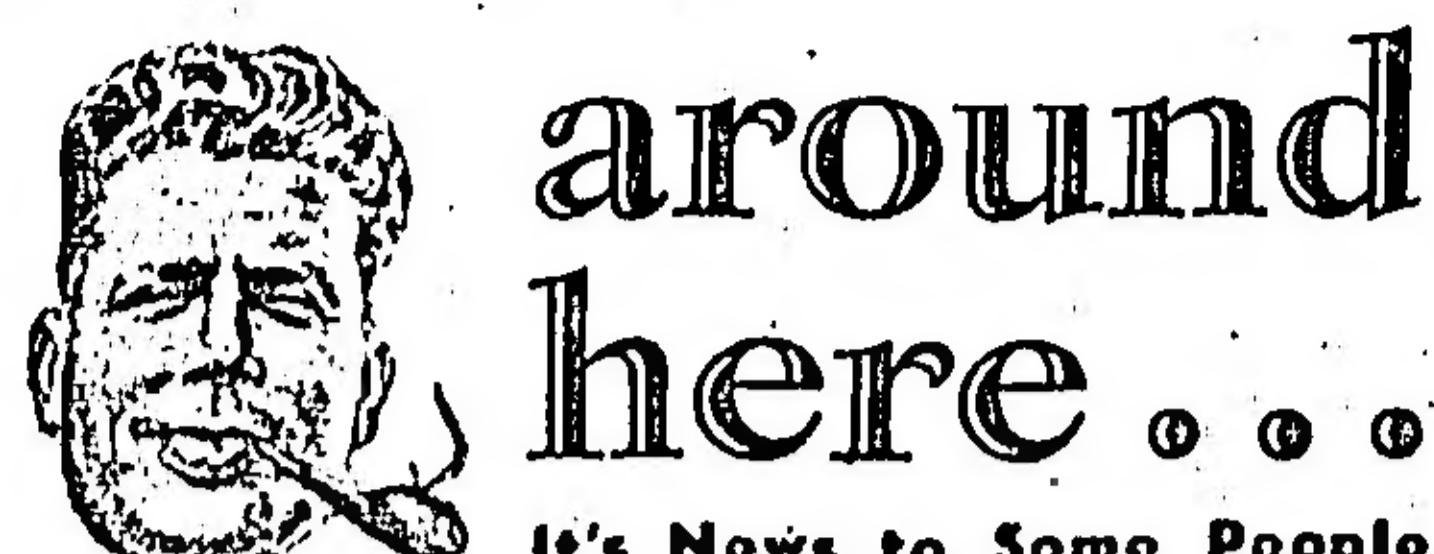
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Someone's crazy



It's News to Some People

...by

BERNARD WICKSTEED

SUPPOSING your doorbell rang one morning and a boy handed you a cable from South Africa saying:

"GEDULD ONE INTERSECTED BASAL 3322 FT ASSAYING 1252 DWTS OVER 18.4 INS."

What would you do? Swoon with astonishment or rush to the phone in a frenzy? No, you'd probably tell the boy there'd been a mistake and give him the cable back. Then you'd return to your breakfast without realising that you'd let slip a chance to make yourself a million pounds.

News of gold

A CABLE in just those words did arrive in the City one sunny April morning two years ago, and by the middle of the afternoon a group of gold mining shares had gone up in value by £6,000,000.

Those cryptic words and figures carried the news of the greatest gold find in South African history.

At any time there may be a similar strike, and in there's always a faint chance that the cable announcing it may come to one of us by mistake. It would be a pity to miss out on a fortune through not understanding what it meant.

"Geduld One" is the name of a borehole in the Orange Free State. The gold reefs in that part of the world are several thousand feet underground, and so far no one has set eyes on them.

They are so deep that you can't go round prospecting as you did in the old days with a pick and

shovel. You have to sink a bore-hole.

These boreholes are an inch and a half across, and cost about £3 a foot to sink, or £15,000 to go down 5,000 feet!

One of the items that make them expensive is the drill, which is made of diamonds. It is rather like that thing you use for getting cores out of apples, and it brings to the surface a thin column of the rock that it goes through.

This Geduld borehole (Geduld, incidentally, is Dutch for patience—which in this case was rewarded) reached gold-bearing rock at 3,922 ft., and the reef where the gold lay was 18.4 ins. thick.

Value of reef

THAT much of the message was routine, and might have applied to a score of other boreholes in the area. What sent the Stock Exchange crazy with excitement was the assay value of 1,252 pennyweights.

This was unprecedented. It meant that in every ton of reef at that spot there was £556 worth of gold—ten times as much as might have been expected.

Yet the column of reef from which the calculation was made was so small that the actual gold it contained would have covered a sixpence. It wasn't worth more than a few shillings.

To those who knew mining conditions in Africa, however, it looked like Eldorado, and they stampeded to buy shares.

A week after the news of the strike came out Sir Ernest Oppenheimer, the South African gold king, announced that he, too, thought it was good. In five hours the shares went up another £5,300,000 on the Stock Exchange.

From this point on the story became fantasy. A man called Mr Bob Morley, who sells mining equipment in the goldfields (and happened to be chairman of the Johannesburg Commercial Exchange), said that in his opinion the gold in the Orange Free State might never be reached because of high costs and taxation.

A 40-word extract of his speech was cabled to London, and the share slumped £8,000,000 in a day.

Nevertheless, on the strength of at most a few pounds' worth of gold brought out of the Geduld, and other boreholes from reefs that no one has ever seen, plans are being made to spend £170,000,000 developing the area.

Million a week

HALF that sum would put the British coal miners on their feet, and through them the rest of our industry. Less than a tenth of it has so far been spent on the Empire peanut scheme.

I was told in the City recently that already nearly a million a week is being poured out on an area no larger than the Isle of Wight that two years ago was nothing but sunburned wasteland.

It is like a gigantic poker game in which the cards cost a million pounds each and on one known what the kitty will be.

But there is no trouble getting the money. The lure of gold is such that every one wants to play. A City Editor told me that half the letters he gets on the subject are from country parsons and the like.

Time and costs

HERE'S how the game is played. First of all as an ante—for the right to sit in on the game—a company must buy an option on some land.

Then it must sink some ten boreholes (£100,000) to see what sort of deal it has got. If these look good it buys the next card for about £2,000,000, which is the cost of sinking shafts to the reef and having a really good look at it.

If after this the company still wants to stay in the game it must spend at least another two million developing the mine and putting up plant. Altogether, they reckon it takes five years and four to five million pounds to bring a mine into production and earn its first returns.

That's why the City Editor tells readers that the initials O.F.S. for Orange Free State should also mean Only For Speculators.

Ages ago . . .

HOW did all this gold that can cause such excitement in City offices and country parsonages get there in the first place? Millions of years ago there was a gigantic lake in South Africa surrounded by hills that were rich with gold. Rivers washed it down, and much of it was mixed with the pebbles on the beach.

If there'd been any gold miners then they could have picked it up by the sackful without the aid of flippers. Age followed age, and the pebbles and gold on the beach were pushed underground by the weight above, and crushed into a soft grey rock.

The fabulous gold reefs of the Rand were one side of the prehistoric beach and those of the Orange Free State were another.

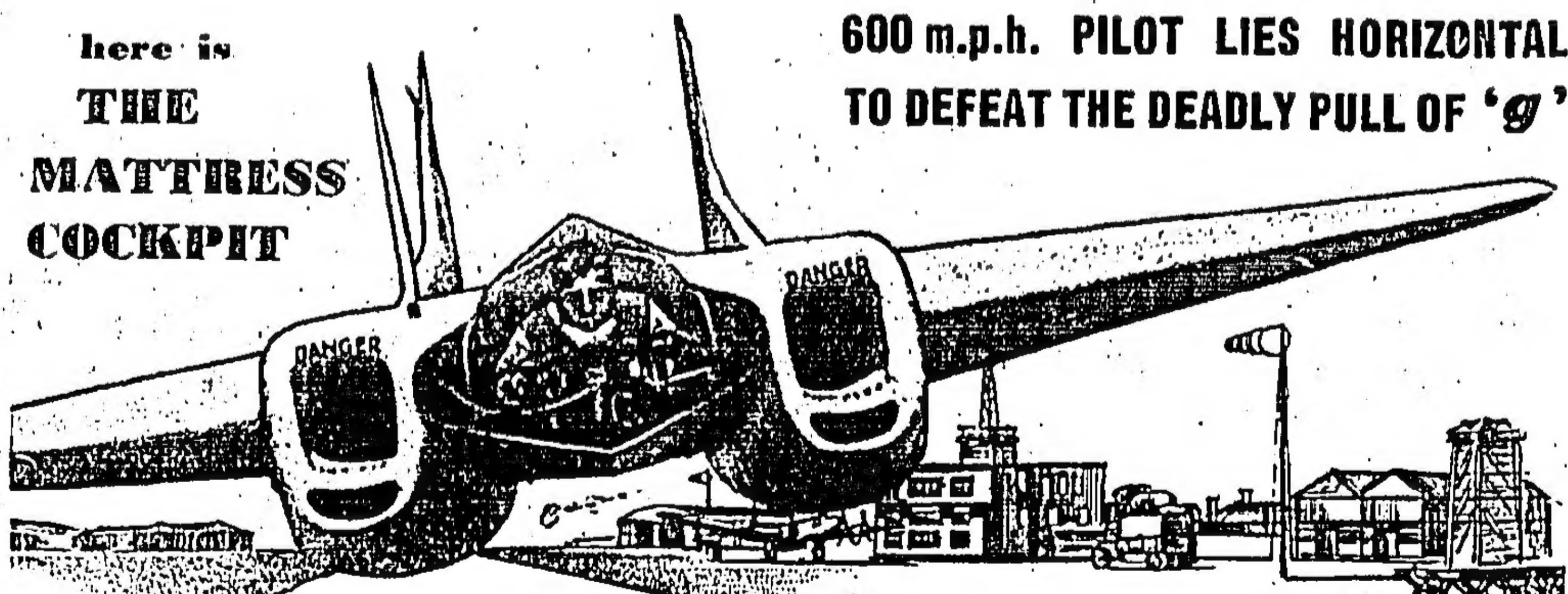
And what happens to the gold now that its lair has been found and it is dragged to the surface with such labour and cost? As everyone knows, it is taken to America and buried again.

If we are not wiped out by atom wars, history may repeat itself some million years hence, when it will be rediscovered in America and mined again.

As a man from Mars might say: "Someone's crazy around here."

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by
CHAPMAN PINCHER

FLYING the fighter plane of tomorrow will be a lying-down job—because the twisting and diving of a 600 miles per hour jet fighter is more than the human frame can take sitting down.

RAF men are experimenting with aircraft—still on the secret list—in which a couch replaces the pilot's seat. And details just released of the latest American jet fighter show that the mattress cockpit already challenges the conventional bucket seat.

A pilot's body is not upset by speed itself, however great. But it reacts violently to the sudden changes of speed and direction caused by the twists and turns in aerial dogfight.

When a pilot is flying a straight and steady course at 600 miles per hour the pull acting on his body is gravity—that is, the normal pull of the earth, which scientists and pilots call *g*.

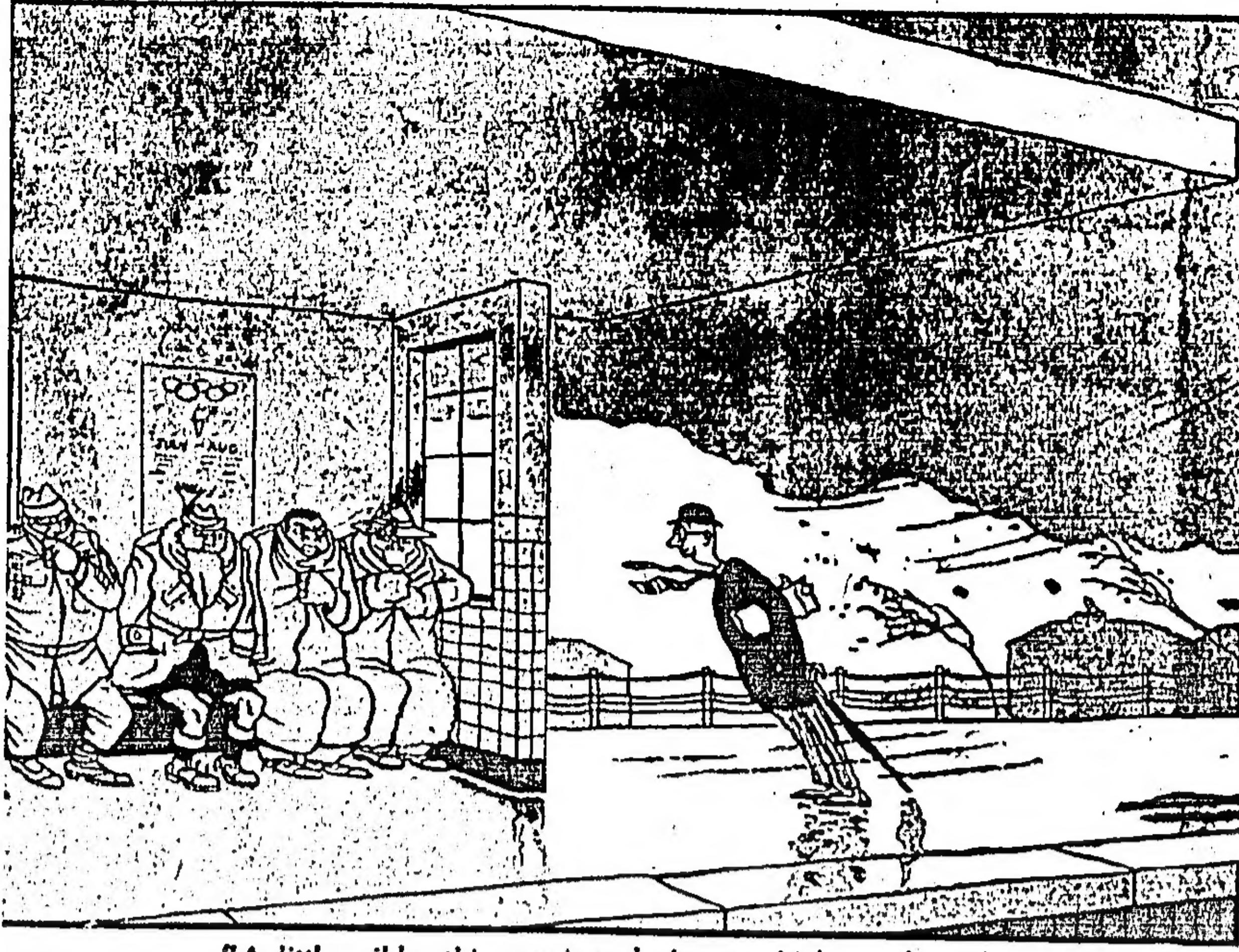
When the pilot alters course suddenly this pull increases immediately. In a sharp turn at only 300 miles per hour it can rise rapidly to

six *g*'s. This means that if the pilot's seat were fixed to a spring balance it would register his weight as six times the normal figure—or nearly half a ton.

The whole body is affected. Ears and cheeks become so heavy that they sag painfully. Stomach and lungs feel as though they are being dragged away from their moorings. Blood becomes heavy.

In an upward loop or when pulling out of a dive the blood rushes to the legs. Because it is so heavy the heart cannot pump it to the head. The eyes therefore lose their blood supply and the pilot "blacks out."

The reverse happens in a downward loop or a power dive. Blood rushes from the pilot's legs to the



"A little milder this morning, don't you think, gentlemen?"

PREPARING TO BE A QUEEN

London, Aug. 15. PRINCESS JULIANA is flying home from London to Holland tomorrow. Her last holiday abroad before becoming Queen of the Netherlands, following the abdication of her mother, Queen Wilhelmina, is ended.

This week she begins preparation for her installation, which takes place in the Nieuwe Kerk (New Church) in Amsterdam on Monday, September 6.

In Dutch tradition there is no crowning, but the ceremony will be one of great splendour.

Princess Margaret, fulfilling her first personal mission abroad, will have a seat beside the royal rostrum.

With her will be the Crown Princess and Princesses of Norway, Sweden, and Denmark.

Julliana, dressed in the magnificent ermine cloak worn 50 years ago at the installation of her mother, will take the oath of loyalty to the Constitution—and so, in a matter of five minutes, she becomes queen.

Then, every member of the Dutch Parliament—50 in the Upper House, 100 in the Lower House—will individually swear allegiance.

Prince Bernhard, the Consort, who will have a place by the side of his wife, will become Prince of the Netherlands.

Trumpeters will then leave the church and their fanfares will break the news of a new queen to the nation.

No Male Heirs

Julliana will be Holland's second successive ruling queen.

The last royal prince born to the House of Orange was Alexander, youngest of the three sons of King William III, and a half-brother of Queen Wilhelmina.

He died in 1884; his brothers also died when young.

So, unless Julliana has a son, three queens will succeed three kings as rulers of Holland. For the new heir to the throne will be Julliana's eldest daughter, Princess Beatrix, aged ten.

Julliana ascends the throne at one of the most trying periods of the Netherlands empire has known.

The revision of the Constitution and particularly the future status of Indonesia will call for her keen attention.

A Good Mother

Julliana, like her mother, is a woman of strong personality.

Today, at 39, with four daughters, she is tremendously popular with all classes.

She has always been essentially an outdoor girl. She has humour and wit, but it is her simplicity that has won the affection of Holland. The Dutch see her as a devoted mother and a practical housewife.

Julliana is 5ft. 7½ins. tall. She has reddish-blond hair and, with her very fair complexion, uses little make-up, apart from lipstick.

Her eyes are blue; her favourite colours blue and green. She seldom wears jewellery and admits she is not particularly interested in clothes.

Her best sports are skiing and skating. Before her marriage in 1937, she was much plumper. She was frequently seen at The Hague's open-air ice club, subscription 10s.

Nor was it unusual to see a royal crash on the ice as Julliana took a short cut.

Some of her happiest years were spent as a student of law and history at Leyden University. She camped and sailed with the other girl students. She never misses the annual reunion.

In the summer Princess Julliana enjoys trips in the large, white yacht Piet Hein, presented to her and her husband by the nation as a wedding gift.

She speaks English, French, and German fluently and has a knowledge of all Scandinavian languages.

At Village School

Her children are Beatrix, 10, Irene, nine, Margriet, (born in Canada), five, and the baby, Marijke, just 18 months.

Julliana decided her children should be real democrats. While in Canada the elder princesses attended an ordinary day school.

Today they go to the village school at Bithoven, near their home at the palace of Soestdijk.

They are taught along with a shoemaker's son, a postman's daughter, and the children of local people.

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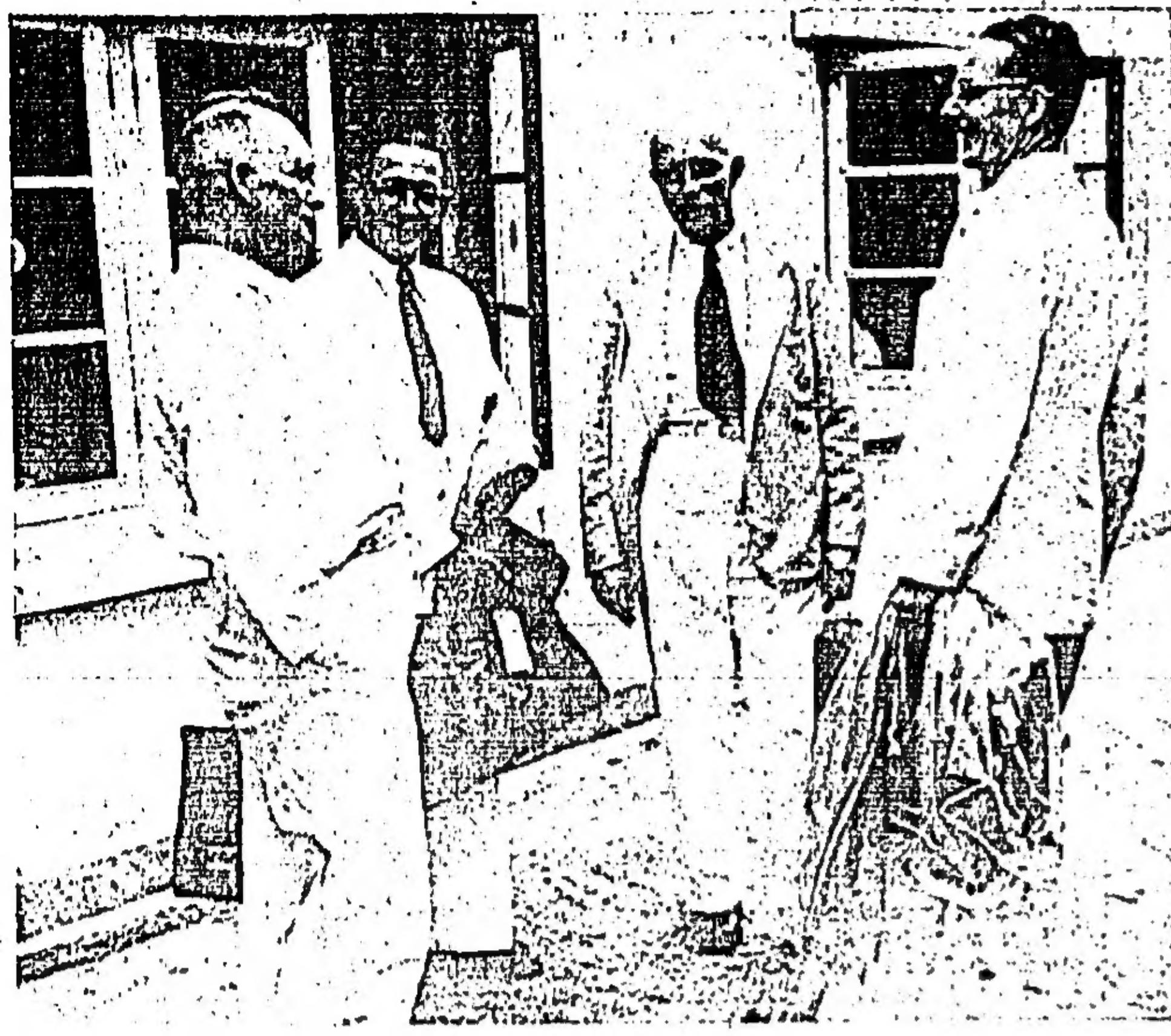
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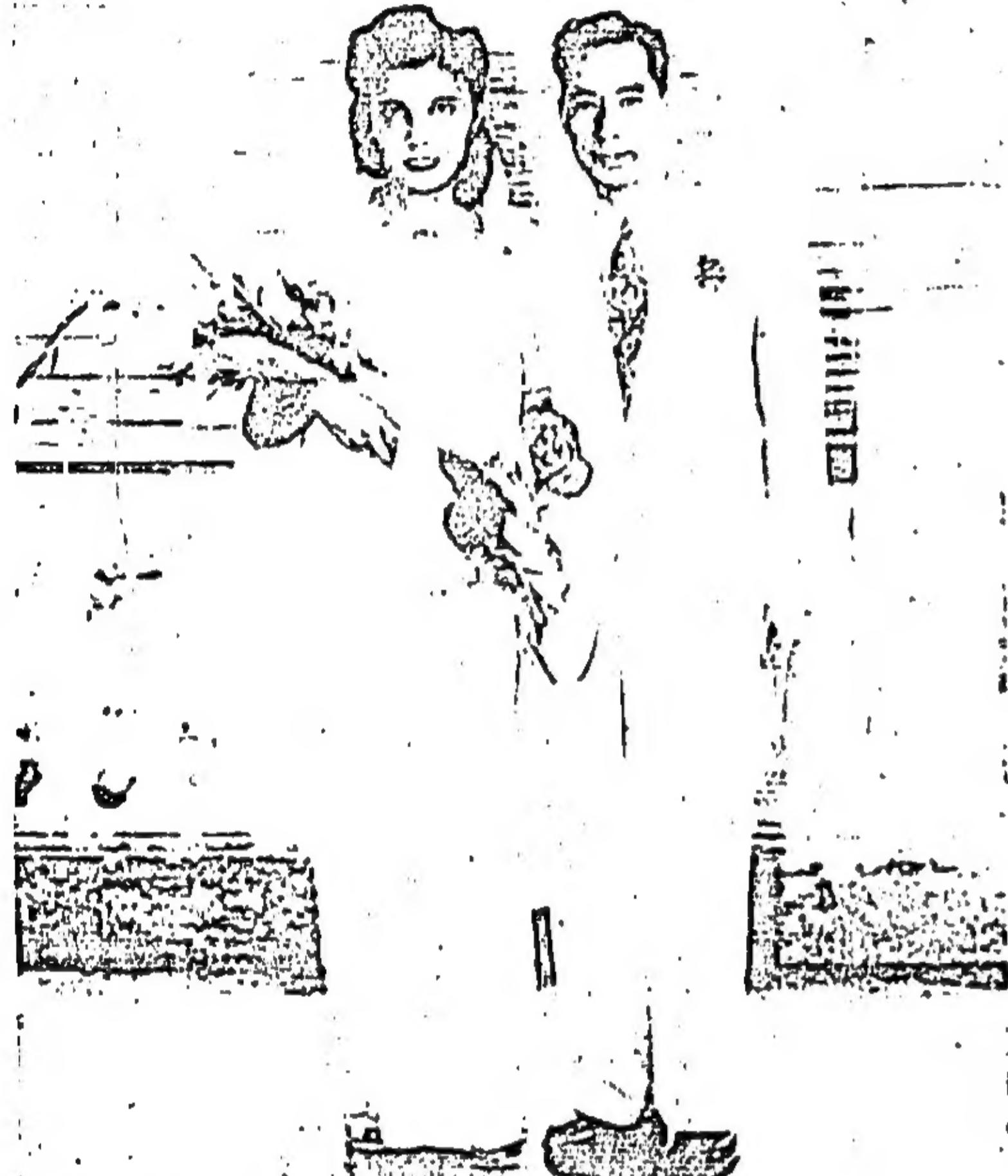
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MR A. A. van Sandick, director of the Nederlandsche Handels Mantschappij (second from right), welcomed on his arrival at Kai Tak airport last Sunday by officials of the bank. Mr Sandick is on an inspection tour of the Far East. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



BRIDAL group taken after the wedding on Tuesday of Mr B. C. Chua and Miss Lucy Lim. Bride and bridegroom are members of prominent Fukien families residing in Hongkong. (Ming Yuen)



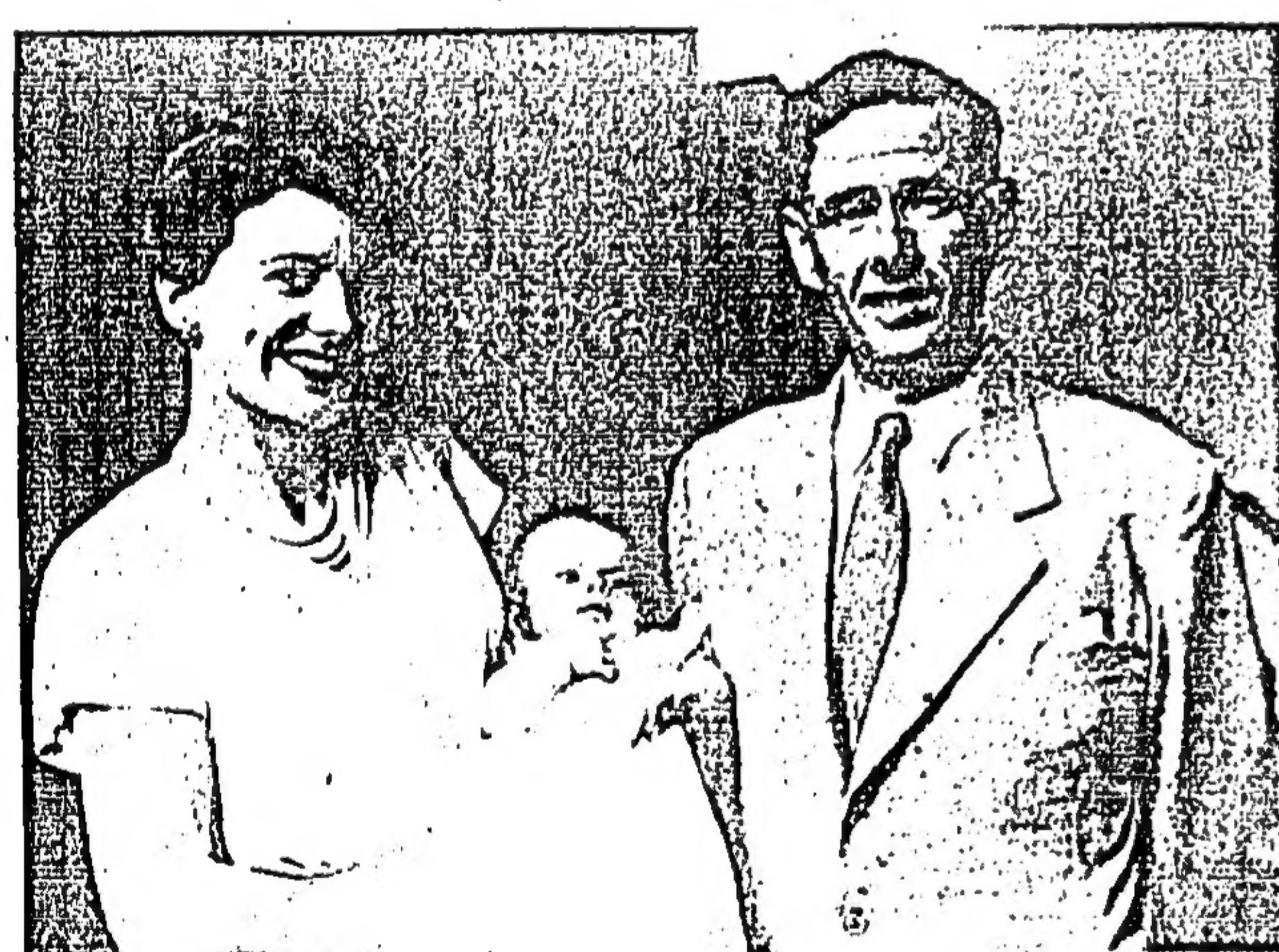
MR Abdul Rashid Suffind and Miss Noorbhi Abdul Curreem, who were married last week. (Francis Wu)



AFTER the christening of their son, John David, at St John's Cathedral last Sunday, the Hon. R. R. Todd and Mrs Todd stop for a chat with Mr T. W. Kwok (right), Chinese Special Commissioner for Foreign Affairs. (Francis Wu)



LEFT: Mr Joe Griffin and Miss Doe Mattos photographed after their wedding at the Registry last Saturday. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



LEFT: Sally Ann, daughter of Inspector and Mrs W. G. Morrison, was christened at the Kowloon Union Church on Sunday last. (Ming Yuen)

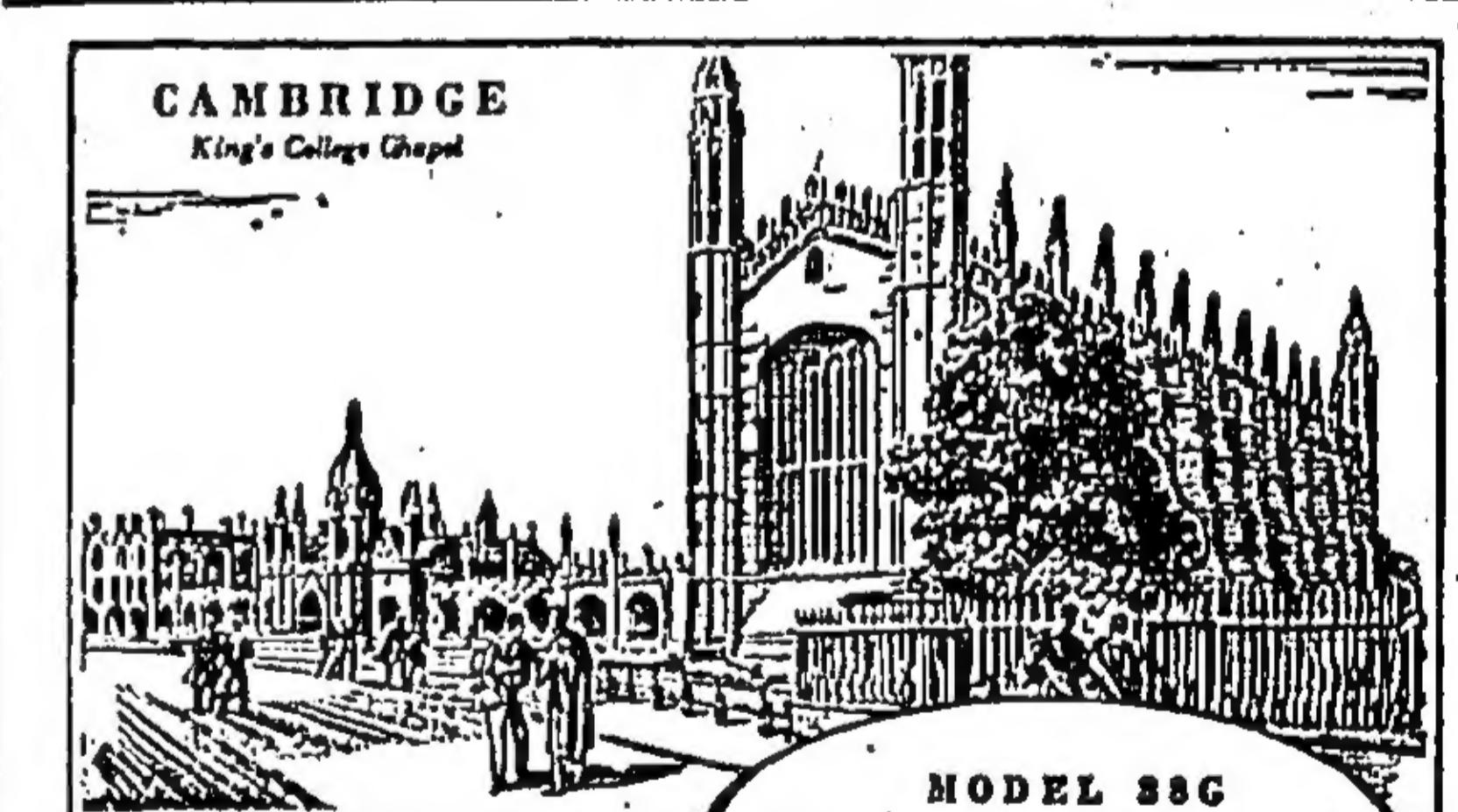
MR Chang Kwan-chou (seated ninth from left in second row), chief of the Chinese staff of The Lido, Repulse Bay, was guest of honour on the occasion of his birthday at a dinner party held in the Ying King Restaurant. (Francis Wu)



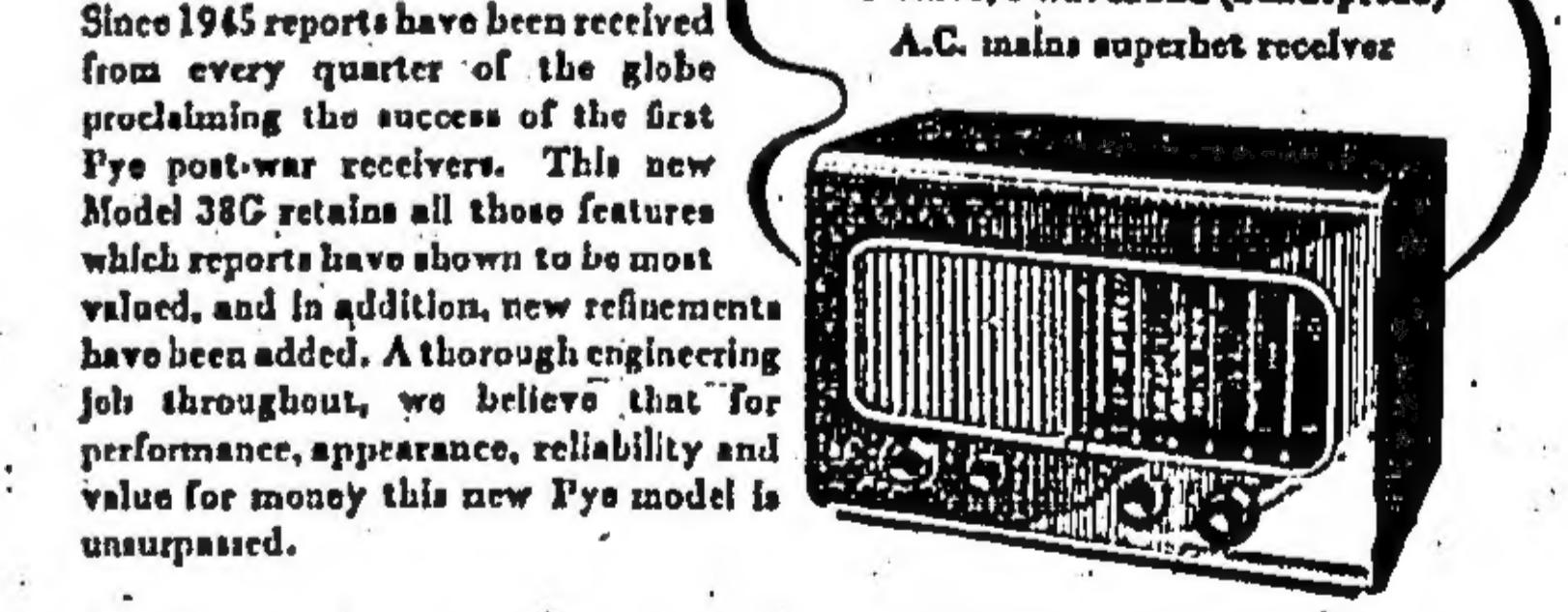
PHOTO of the first group of wireless students at the Hongkong Government Technical College. Seated are Mr G. White, the Principal (centre), Mr S. J. Burt, chief instructor, and Mr K. Chong, assistant instructor. (Wing Kwong)



RIGHT: Mr Edward Cecil Vagg and Miss Yau Sang-ching, who were married at the Registry recently. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



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WOMANSENSE FASHIONS

London Fashions

'New Look' settles down with a few modifications

by ... SUSAN DEACON

LONDON'S Fashion Fortnight has shown that although there are no sensational changes in the present silhouette, the line is more modified and wearable.

The "New Look" has found its level. Full ballerina skirts and peplum jackets, which are almost uniform for women in London this summer, give way to the more restrained pencil-straight skirt with an attractive back fullness.

In spite of pre-collection rumours, London has not adopted the higher waist line. Only isolated models had this under-the-bust line.

At their best

In this, I think, designers are wise. Even the bitterest opponents of the "New Look" have now accepted it, but women would not take kindly to a further drastic change in such a short time.

In all the collections British materials were shown at their best. Velvet, velvetine, and corduroy are without popular for day wear.

COATS are loose backed, loose sleeveless, and often have enormous cuffs and débâtonne collars. Large plaid or pinone checks are much used in this type of coat. These full tent coats look well on tall women, but sloping shoulders and long flowing folds could not be worn by a small woman. Too many styles are suitable only for tall women.

SUIT jackets are slightly longer and mostly double breasted. Often the hem line of the suit skirt and jacket is decorated.



"TENT" COAT... worn with or without a belt.

THE HIP is smooth and slightly lower. It seems that with each season designers try to change the female form.

We do not differ with the season and it would be better to design clothes around our natural shape than to try to change our shape to suit the designs.

All artificial padding of last season has disappeared. Any fullness in the skirt falls from below the hips.

THE WAIST LINE remains in its natural position, and is small and neat.

THE BUST LINE in some cases is emphasised by skilful draping.



Black velvet hat with Balmoral crown, both day and evening.

Drawn by ROBB

Now HATS go into the ring!



Typical of the cone crown hat, it is the brim pull-over one.



Pull-on soldier-cadet cap in leopard fur worn on one side.



Crownless bonnet in new shag long-haired "fur" made of rayon.



The Dior Entry

IT even takes in hats! The great Paris dress battle—Champion Christian Dior versus All the Other Challengers who Wish to Dethrone Him—has spread to the head.

For more than two years Dior's faught New Look has ruled over Paris styles.

Now the challengers—led by the fabulously Jacques Fath—say the Tube Look has arrived and the New Look is dead. Those full, flouncy ballet skirts must go—or be cut to fit the new straight, plain skirts with hemlines 13 inches from the ground.

Dior hit back, stood by his New Look—though modified, with a skirt-length much shorter.

Empire flavour

TODAY it is hats. Since the end of July all the famous Paris milliners have been selling their latest designs. "The winter fashion," they say "will be very flat, crownless hats, or pointed sugar-cane caps, or enormous crowns running a foot and a half wide. Everything will have an Empire flavour to suit the new narrow tubular, high-waisted dresses."

Now along comes Dior again and reverses the whole thing.

"Next winter," says he, "all smart women will wear tiny, fitted hats to outline and emphasise small, neat heads. They're the perfect finish to my wider-than-ever skirts."

New wardrobe

WHICH way will the buyers jump? They are still consulting anxiously. Half of them, unwilling to let slip the best-selling catch-phrase they have had for 15 years—"It is Dior, Madam!"—are other half seeing new profits in skimpy frocks and a new reversal of fashion so complete that it will mean an entirely new wardrobe.

Take your choice.

Typical of the Dior hat is the tight-fitting skull cap of spiky feathers which is the last of the Robbe drawings here. Closely covering the head and ears, it is cut front and back to show some hair.

The other three are examples of the kind that the rest of Paris is making...



"JUTTING" MOVEMENT—forward or backward with smooth hipline

THE SHOULDER LINE is narrow and more sloping than ever. Pads are not used. This is, I think, a mistake. You need very well-shaped shoulders to wear unpadded clothes successfully.

SLEEVES in dresses and suits are long and tight, and in coats they are frequently wide and loose. One collection has winter coats with three-quarter-length sleeves. Doubtless these were designed with an eye to milder winter climates overseas, but for an English winter they would be both draughty and cold.

Sombre colours

COLOURS are sombre—"off-black," muddy tones of purples, reds, and olive greens, and the sophisticated neutral colours of battleship grey and beige are generally favoured. But these colours are much too drab and dull for British winters. It is a relief to see an occasional sharp acid yellow or tomato red.

THE SHAWL COLLAR and its logical development into the finger-tip cape has returned.

HATS are jewel-coloured felt and all have a forward movement. Feathers of all lengths and colours are used.

Throughout the collections exotic or eccentric clothes are seen rarely: they are almost always clothes which we could all wear.

SLIMMING WITHOUT DIETING



BEAUTIFUL MARTHA HYER, who in addition to her pretty face, has one of the most attractive figures in Hollywood, tells her fans how to slim without dieting, and actually demonstrates the lessons.

In the picture on the left she shows how first to start the easy exercises. Stand erect, (she says) feet wide apart, heels on floor, arms out at sides, shoulder level. Swing right arm round to left and back to right twisting the torso from the waistline. Continue this movement back and forth in steady flowing movement.

In the second picture starting from the same position, Martha reaches first one heel, then for the other, a complete rocking motion to be required. Martha calls these exercises waist trimmers.

Rest Is Good For Beauty

By HELEN FOLLETT

DO you suffer from nervousness? Is your day crowded with activities of one kind or another? That seems to be the fate of practically all women, even those who do not have to go to work. It's always something. There is no such thing as rest and relaxation. But the human machine will stand so much and no more. One must have relaxation to give ease to the nervous system, to refresh the spirit.

Wipe away the cream, apply more, wiping it partially away. Cream left on the skin at night has time to get in its rejuvenating work. Do a lot of tapping and slapping so that the facial tissues will remain firm.

Brush your hair. Grandma used to give her locks 100 strokes of the brush every night of her life before she plaited them into pigtails. It won't exhaust you to give 50 whacks, though twice as many will be twice as good. Arrange the wave set, put on your wave cap to preserve the undulation.

Your hands should not be deprived of their cosmetic feast. Use a thin cream. Rub it into your finger nails and the surrounding cuticle. Thumb it into your knuckles, especially if you putter around a garden. Give your elbows a few swirls of cream. Elbows always need a little cosmetic care.

A hot bath will renew vitality. For a nice luxury touch, add a fragrant water softener to your tub. Have a rub down with a fragrant

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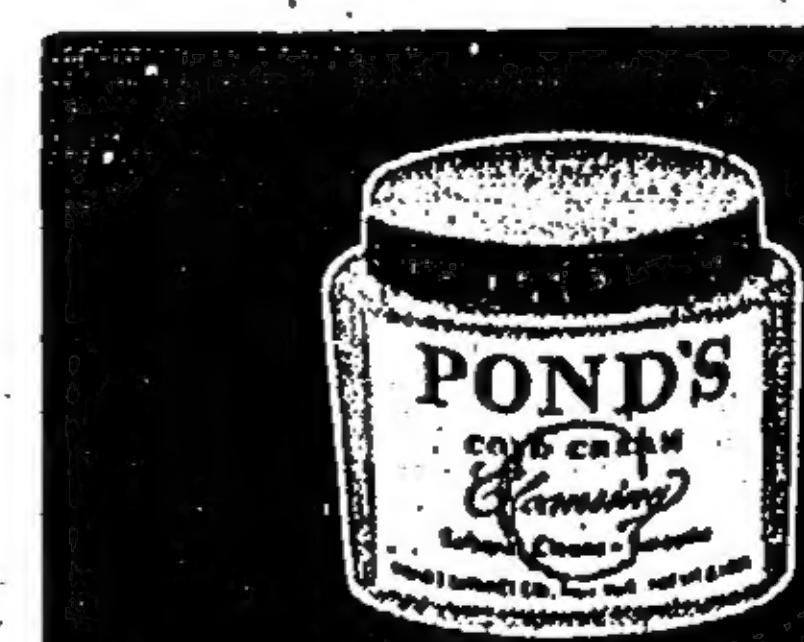
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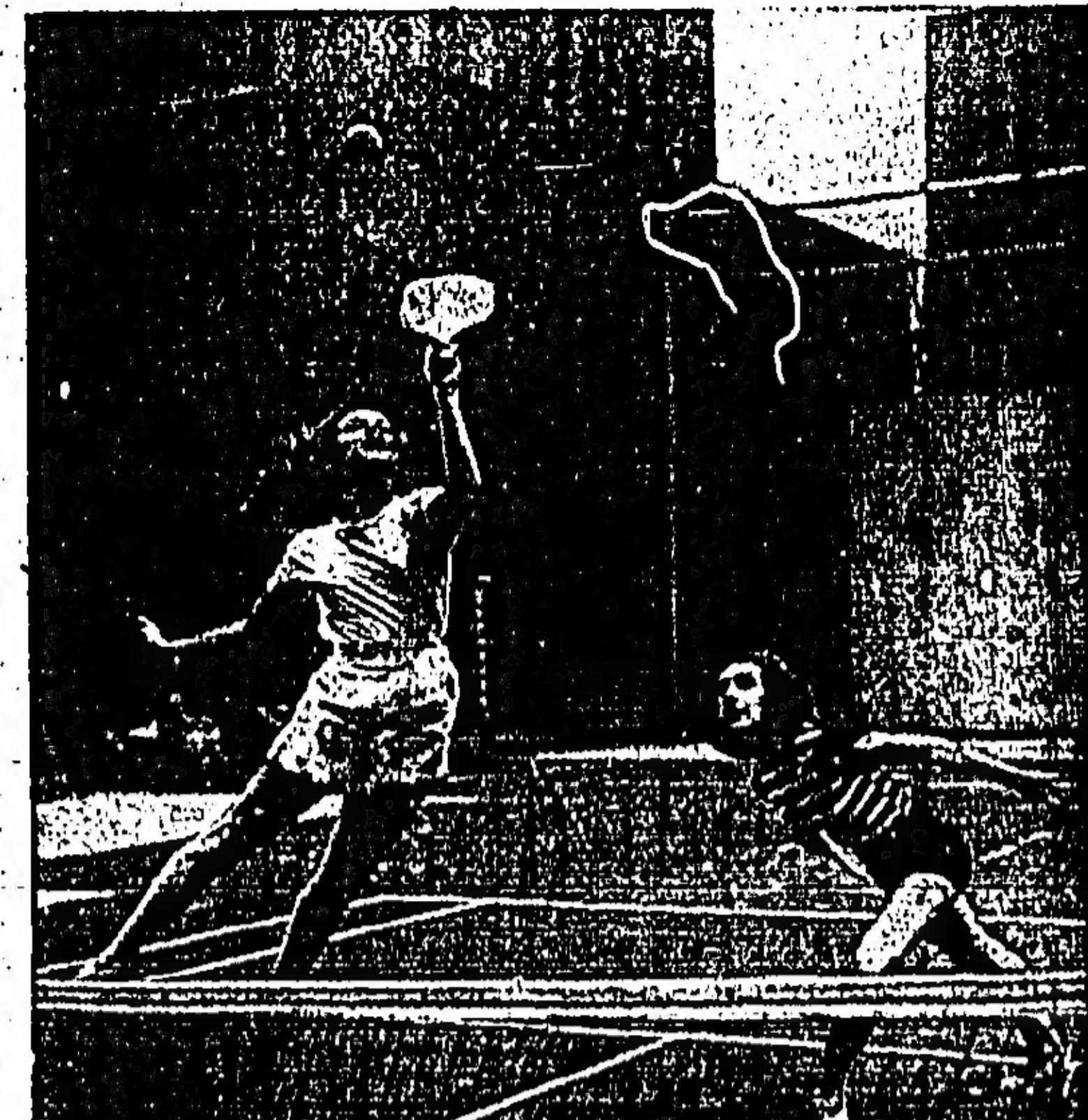
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



NAZI BUNKER BLASTED—The Zoo bunker, wartime air raid shelter in Berlin, is blasted by a charge set off by British engineers. Top picture shows the explosion; bottom picture the remains.



YOUNG EVACUEES—Metropolitan Timotheus, Greek prelate, visits some of the 700 youngsters evacuated to the island of Rhodes from civil war areas of northern Greece.



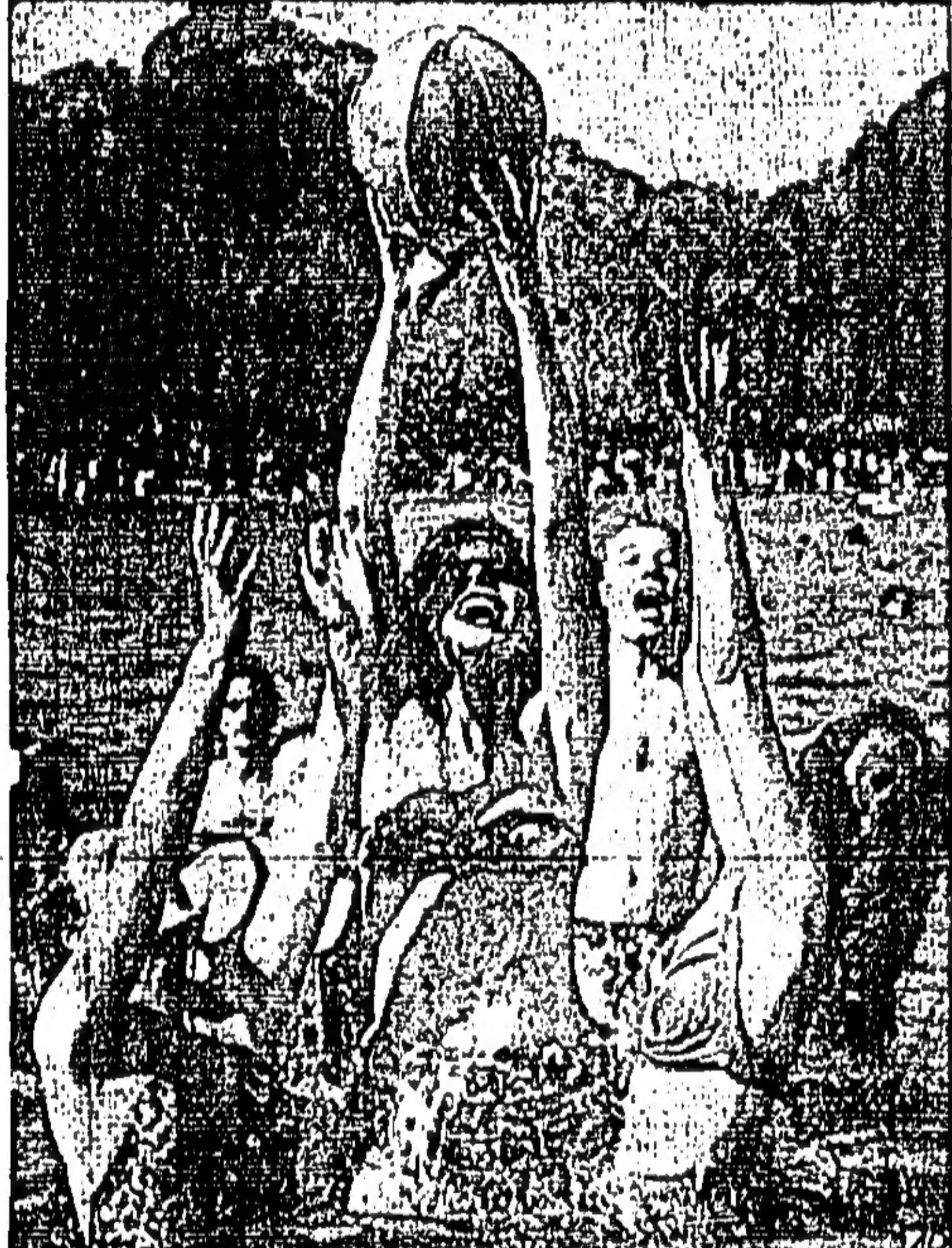
TENNIS ON ROOFTOP—Barbara Carter tries for a high one while her doubles partner, Ruth Feldman, backs her up in a game on the play-roof of a New York theatre where they work as ballet dancers.



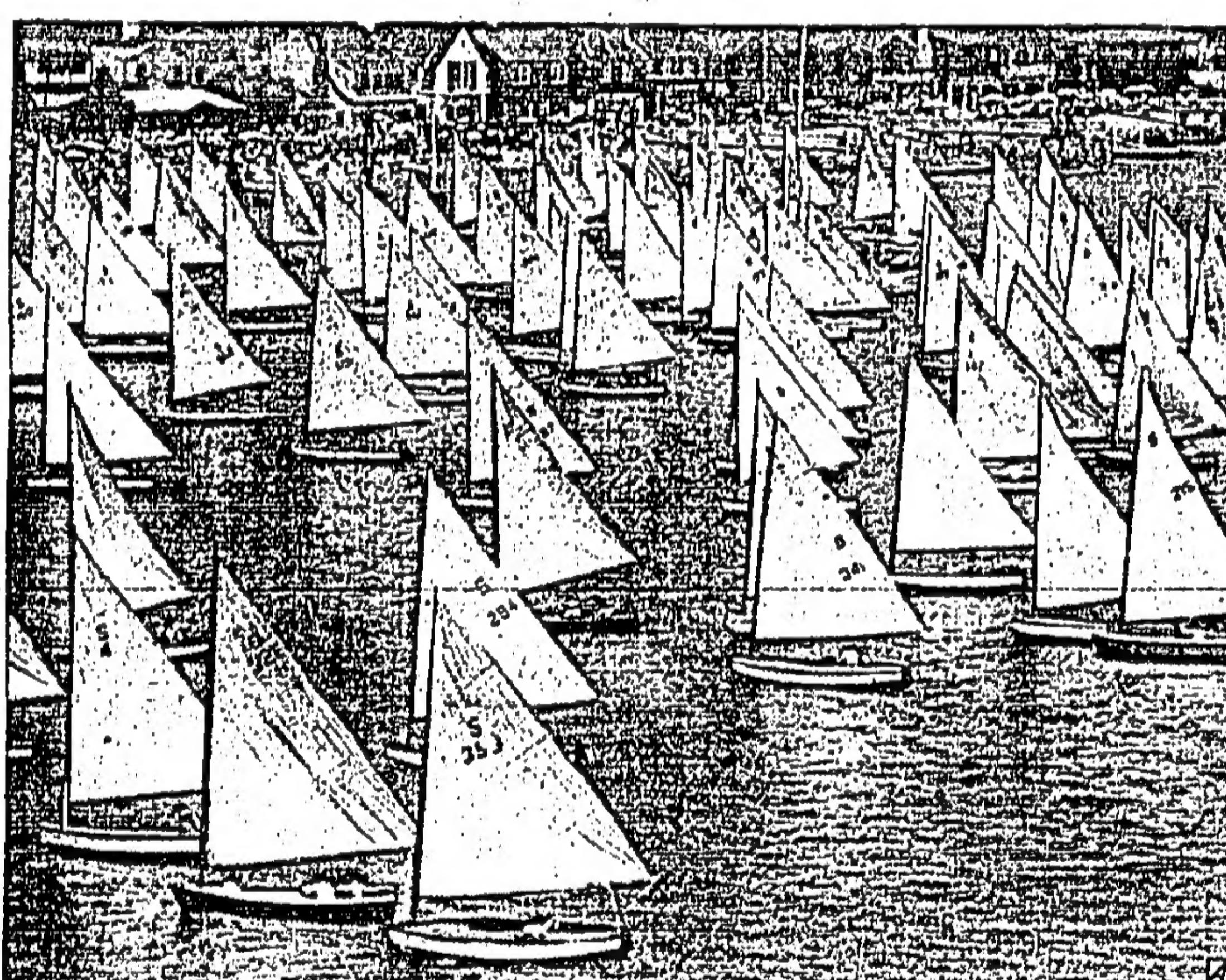
BACKYARD POOL—Natalie Wood, 10-year-old movie actress, splashes in her plastic play pond at her home in Burbank, California. Little sister, Lana, aged two, joins in.



COWBOY ON BEACH—While his trusty steed, Patches, holds his cowboy chaps, four-year-old Freddie Kaufhold gets ready for a dip in the Gulf of Mexico at the Pass-A-Grille resort in Florida.



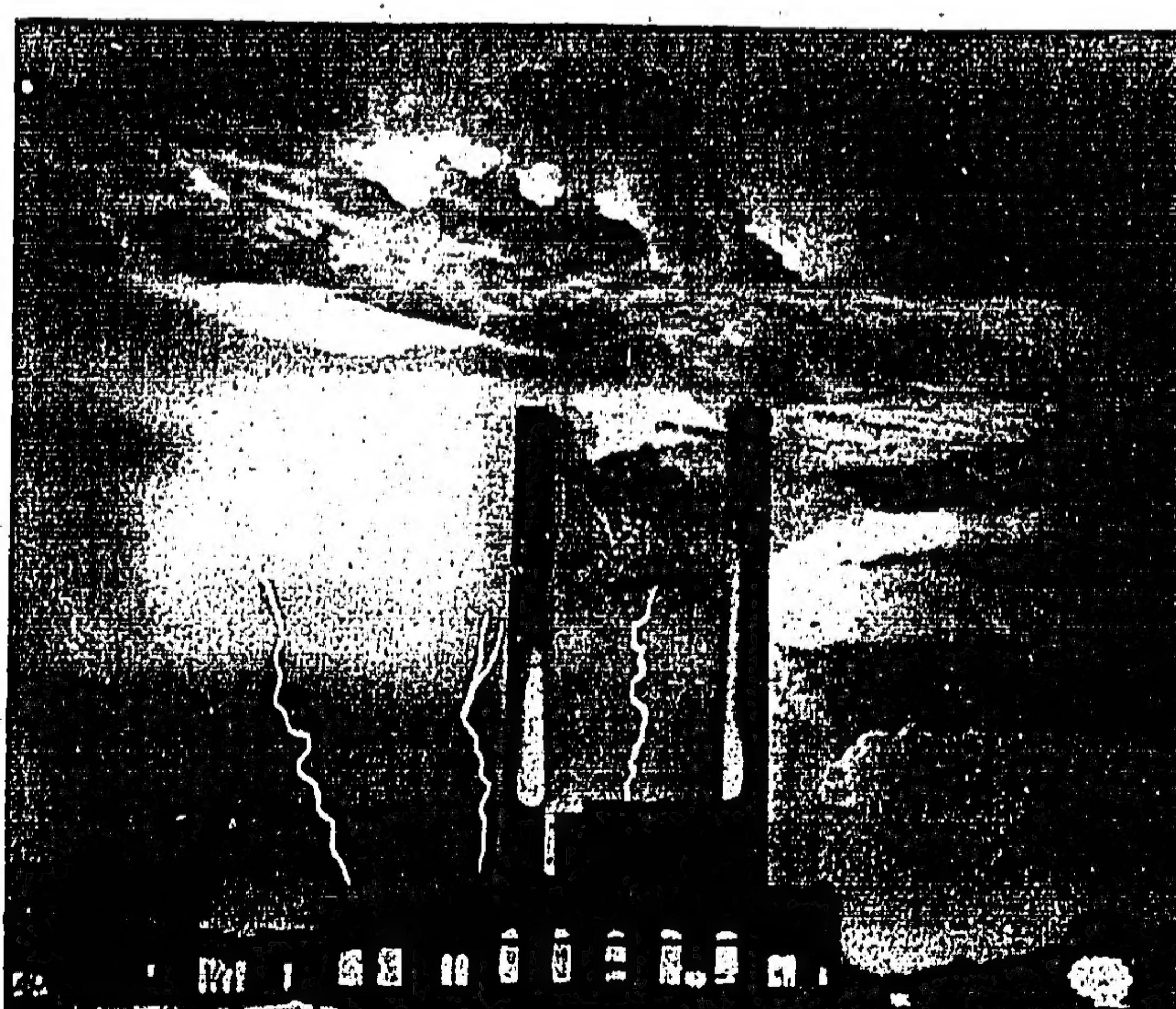
WATER SPORT—Three girls reach for the ball during an exciting water game at the Hyde Park Lido in London during the heat wave.



SNOWBIRDS AND WINNER—Gill Kraemer (left), 17, of Placentia, California, waves the trophy he won in the Flight of the Snowbirds race (right) at Newport Harbour, California. He sailed his 12-foot boat over the five-mile course in one hour and 12 minutes.

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SEWING TIPS FOR AMATEURS

By ELEANOR ROSS

EVERWHERE in America there's a laying on of patterns on fabric, basting, machining, fitting, and all the other procedures that are part of dress-making. Never, never have pattern and fabric sales soared so high, while it is hard work to keep findings and trimmings in stock. Starting from scratch, many women have become veritable couturières, turning out professional-looking clothes for themselves and their young children.

For beginners, we offer a few aids that may be of assistance to help them in achieving professional results, for in dressmaking, especially, there are countless "tricks of the trade."

Tricks

First of all, your sewing machine should be in tip-top condition. See that it receives a proper tune-up. See that the full complement of sewing machine aids, to achieve such touches as applique, smocking, ruffling. Become an expert in basting, the proper foundation for proper fit. Use a long needle, learn to make long, even stitches. Insert pins at right angles instead of parallel to the edge of fabric. Have at hand a selection of various coloured threads, and use a different colour for each job such as marking darts, gathers or pleats.

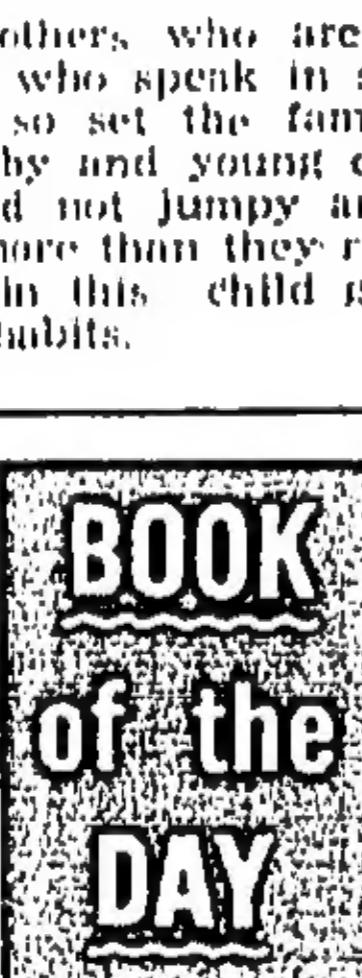
After a garment has been cut out, before handling it, run a line of basting all around the bias edges, which will help to keep them in proper shape until they are sewed. Don't try to pull out long basting threads, but clip thread at regular intervals, and pull out each short thread individually.

After garment is fully basted, try it on. There will be less danger of having to do it over or rip out stitches, which doesn't improve any fabric. If you are doing a great deal of wardrobe sewing, invest in a proper form, especially one of those plastic jobs moulded to your perfect size.

Sheer Fabric

As for the actual sewing, when handling sheer or very lightweight fabrics, stitch onto tissue paper to prevent fabric from puckering. Back stitch every seam, paying attention to the ends of the tucks, pleats and darts, to prevent the seams from opening. Some fabrics ravel easily, and these should get special attention. Raw edges should be covered. French, bound, gathered or overcast seams are worth the extra effort since they won't fray after repeated washings or cleanings. When making a curved seam, pull the fabric toward the seam at regular intervals. It will then lie flat. Wall-to-wall seams are less likely to pull out of shape if a tape is sewed into them.

A finely made garment is recognized by its finish, and good finishers command very high pay. So do a good finishing job on your home-made clothes. Learn to give the wrong side as much care and keep it as neat as the right side. Make use of pinking shears. Invest in best possible quality snaps, belt buckles, buttons and other trimming. Learn to be an expert at putting in slide fasteners. Practice up on old frocks and fasteners if this part of dressmaking floors you. Follow pattern instructions to the letter.



"EAST SIDE, WEST SIDE,"
by Marcia Davenport
(Collins, 10s. ed.)

IN the nature of things,
"East Side, West Side,"
Marcia Davenport's new novel
is not so solid as her big iron-founding drama, "The Valley of Decision," which, I am told, advantageously shed some of its weight in the process of being filmed with Greer Garson and Gregory Peck.

There is no iron in "East Side, West Side." No irony either. Readers are advised to bring their own.

Treated with the right ironic detachment, this modernisation of a favourite bedtime story will yield pleasant diversion even in its scenes of emotion with throns on.

You feel at home from the start. Old friends greet you—American newspaper people, most of them knowledgeable or at least knowing, and characteristically golden-hearted. The food is exquisite. I testify that I have not imaginatively eaten so well since the last volume of Agate's "Ego."

THEIR TALENTS

At one intimate little luncheon party—after preliminary cocktails, hot mushrooms, anonymous soup and celery—I shared some fruit au bûche and partridges in sauerkraut, washed down—no, not washed down; I remembered I mustn't drink my mouth full—accompanied by noble burgundy, a Clos de la Roche of 1929. Coffee followed; but when

SEVEN BABIES IN FOUR YEARS.



Mrs. Laurie Harper of Lavington, Australia, sits with her seven children, all born within the last four years. Garry, aged four (standing behind her) is the eldest. The other, three sets of twin, were born in a period of two and a half years.

IN PLAY PEN

Also the fun from nine to fifteen months in a play pen, whose mother does not mind to him to amuse him every time he calls, may if he has some playthings, learn to amuse himself for longer and longer periods at a stretch. The same holds true for a younger two or three years of age who has had to wait for reasonable periods and whose mother does not try all the time to amuse him at a stretch.

The skilful mother feels and shows great appreciation of what the very young child can do as he begins to build, invent and create in his crude ways, especially when he begins to draw something he names, draws colour cuts and pastels.

When at about two or older, his imagination develops strongly and he plays at pretending, appreciation of his fun then encourages him to go on pretending and creating, and the activity may continue for longer and longer periods of time. Whether, for example, he offers his mother or father tea or cookies from a toy cup or plate or from a bit of cardboard or paper used for such or from nothing capable of all, but drinking the "tea" and eating the "cookies" with gusto induces him to prolong this creative activity, to concentrate.

GOOD WAY

When during his second year he becomes interested in pictures, the sympathetic mother (or father) talks to him about these pictures, especially small pictures of a book or magazine and if it is a simple attractive book or magazine with many small pictures or short legends and rhymes or stories connected with the pictures, he is beginning to talk to him before he knows it. By now the little tot may be listening to his mother or father read for three minutes, five minutes or much longer. There hardly is a better way to cultivate concentration habits in the tot from two to six than to read and read and read to him.

Young mothers who are poised and serene, who speak in soft quiet voices and so set the family stage that the baby and young child will be calm and not jumpy and jittery are doing more than they realise for cultivating in this child good concentration habits.

A diet rich in vitamin U, found in raw foods and milk but deficient in heated foods, reduces peptic ulcer occurrences, a university finding said. The importance of the findings depends on whether the human stomach behaves exactly like that of guinea pigs, the bulletin added.

SAN FRANCISCO.—If you are afraid of stomach ulcers, you may do well to include raw foods and fresh milk in your diet.

That conclusion was reached by Dr Garnett Cheney, scientist at Stanford University's school of medicine, after tests conducted with guinea pigs.

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A NOVEL WOMEN WILL REVEL IN'

Bedtime story—
with throns on!

by DANIEL GEORGE

In a servant shortage was to send to the cleaners.

But he was no worse than others in his set—men, as the wife of one of them remarked, who had discovered that if war is not altogether hell, marriage is.

Before Mark can arrange for Jessie to attain complete fulfillment, as they say, and true happiness in the usual manner, both have to work their passage through the standardised commotion.

THEIR UNREALITY

It concludes the famous "Did-she-fall-or-was-she-punished?" act. The experience gave her (except at the bank) what is known as balance. Mark was an expert on foreign affairs. A journalist before the war, he rapidly became a general, appeared with Roosevelt at Teheran, and later helped to organise, at greatest personal peril, active resistance inside Czechoslovakia.

What brought Jessie and Mark closer together was the fact that they could claim to be "real folks."

In her youth she had worked on a newspaper. She didn't have to—her mother was rich. The experience gave her (except at the bank) what is known as balance.

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Jessie's high-society husband, Brandon Bourne, was a cad.

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at one intimate little luncheon party—after preliminary cocktails, hot mushrooms, anonymous soup and celery—I shared some fruit au bûche and partridges in sauerkraut, washed down—no, not washed down; I remembered I mustn't drink my mouth full—accompanied by noble burgundy, a Clos de la Roche of 1929. Coffee followed; but when

Coming originally from the East Side of New York, where men are mentors and women not only wise but virtuous, they were deeply dressed by the minds, manners, and morals of their wealthy friends on the West Side.

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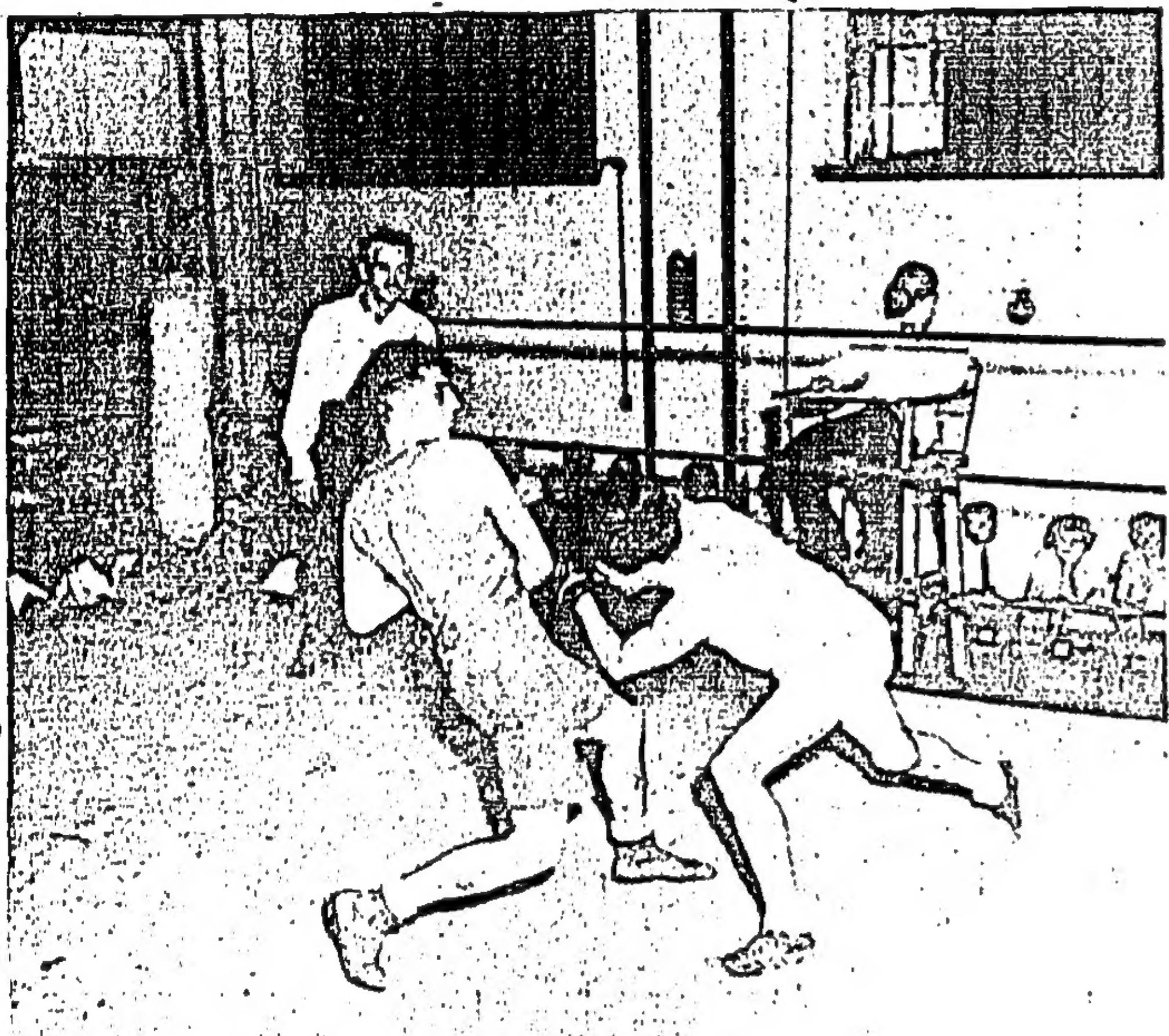
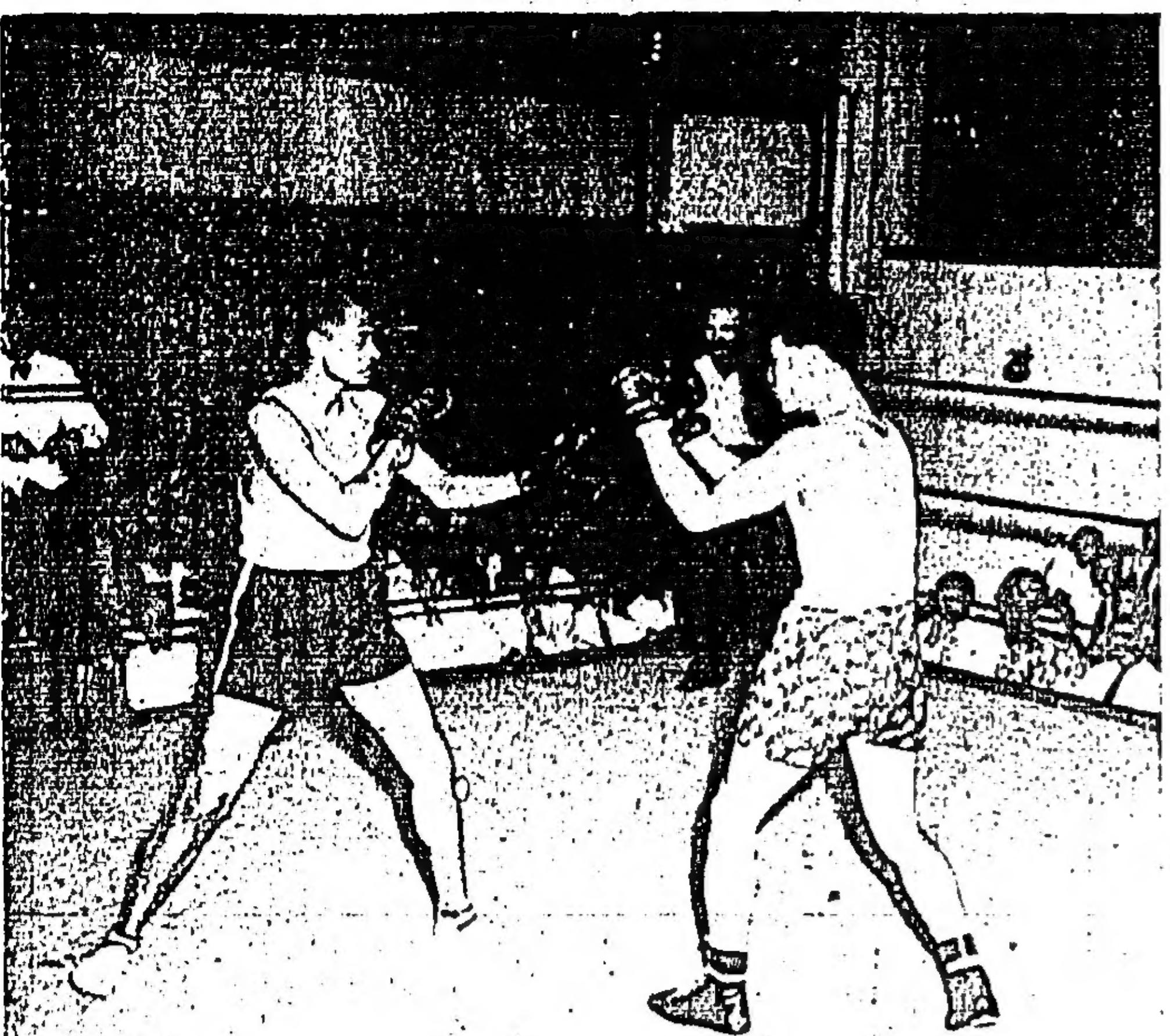
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THE two pictures at left were taken at last Saturday's Golden Gloves tournament at the China Fleet Club. Top picture shows a middleweight contest in progress. Yeung Wing-hong (right) was awarded the verdict after Tiger Curreem was disqualified in the second round. Lower picture shows the fight between Private Winter and Sergeant Manson, which the former won on points. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)

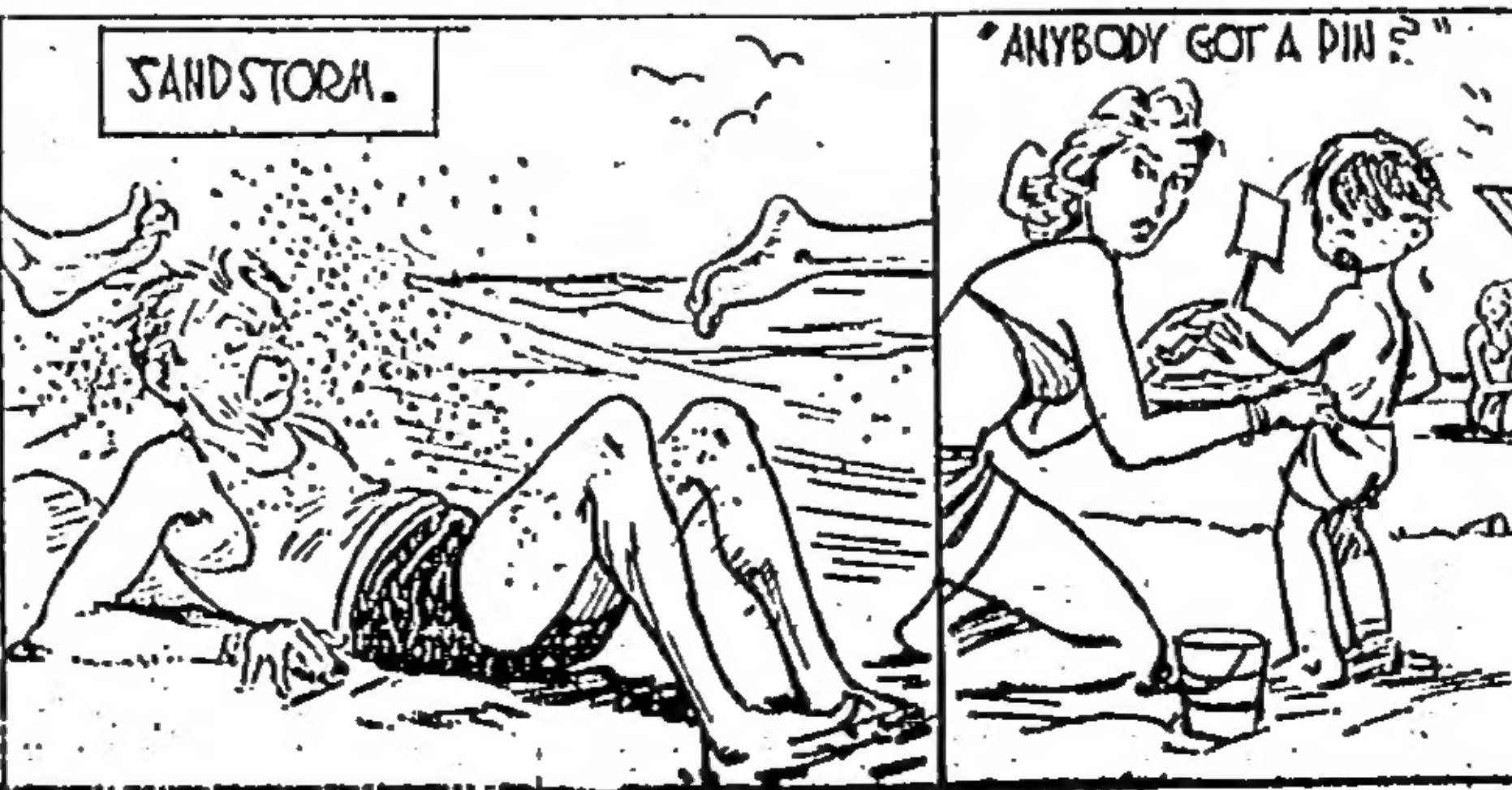
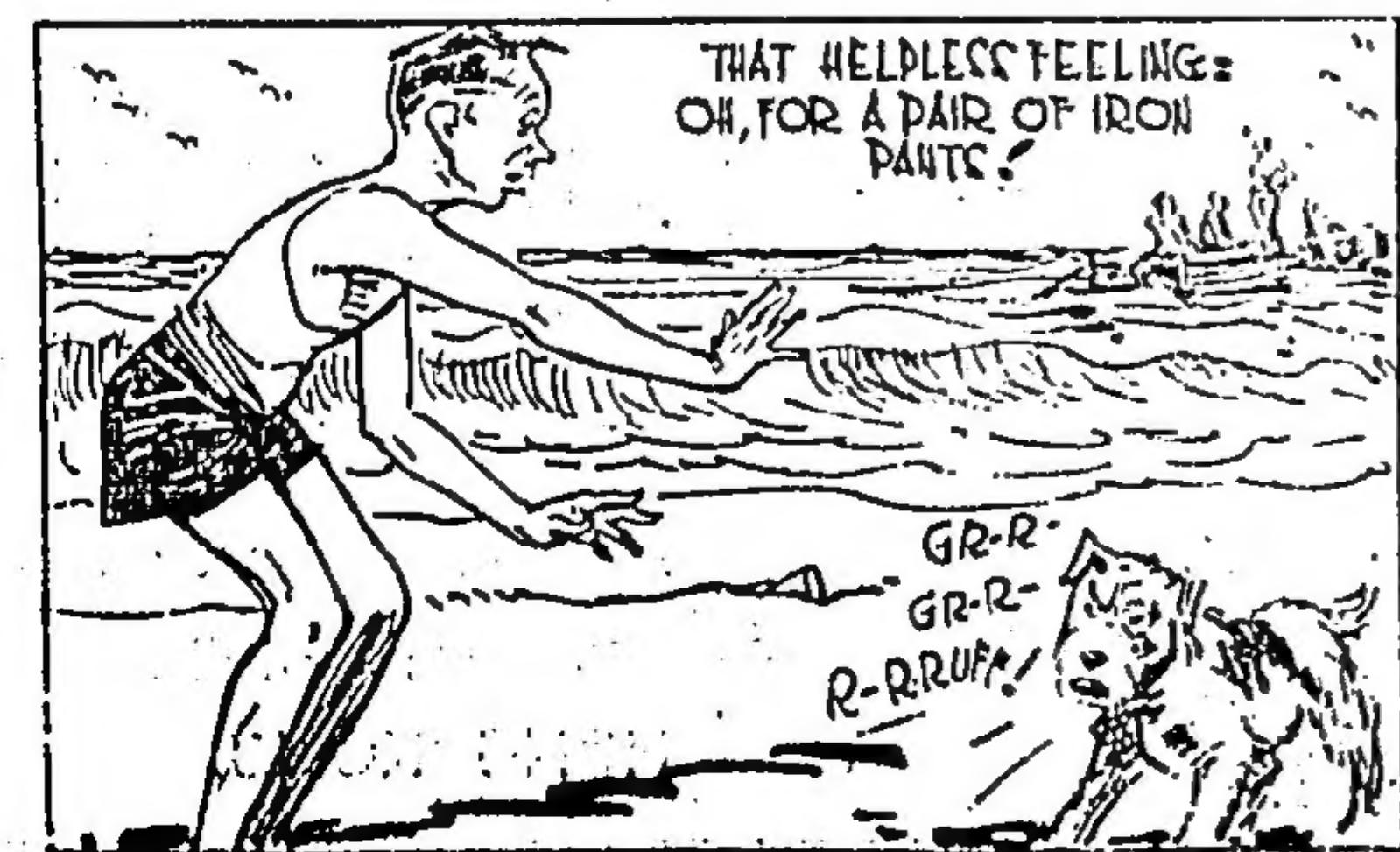
HONGKONG CHINESE TRAINING UNIT ON PARADE



ON Thursday morning, the GOC, Major-General F. R. G. Matthews, DSO., inspected the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit at its second "Passing Out" parade, held at Argylo Street Camp. The men were commended by the GOC for their smart turn-out, to which the pictures here bear ample testimony. Above, General Matthews reviews the march past at the saluting base. Below, the General stops to talk to one of the recruits. Left, one of the best five recruits receives a prize from the GOC. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



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THE TRIALS OF OSCAR WILDE

by
SIR PATRICK HASTINGS, KC

FOR half a century the name of Oscar Wilde has been a byword in our language. It typifies all that is degraded in human life, and at the same time remains the centre of a controversy whether or not it is for the general good that the glare of publicity should be directed upon a social cesspit.

That controversy will be revived by the decision to publish in the Notable Trials series the Trials of Oscar Wilde. Should the sordid story which shocked the whole of England in 1895 be brought again to light, or should it be allowed to die?

BUT that is only an infinitesimal portion of the problem. A far larger question arises. If the same situation should occur again?

Again there should appear an artistic genius capable of earning the admiration of youth and, by example, encouraging a participation in his vicious life, should it be left to an outraged father to rescue his son through the medium of the Law Courts—or should public opinion of its own initiative insist upon the total eradication of a public pest?

The actual criminal trials of Oscar Wilde are of little, if any, interest. They consist of facts and evidence which can be heard almost in the same terms at any session of the Central Criminal Courts, and for their accuracy Mr. Montgomery Hyde relies very wisely upon the shorthand notes taken at the trials.

The interest in the book lies mainly in the very careful preface written by Mr. Hyde himself, who edits the whole book, and in the story of the prosecution by Wilde of the Marquess of Queensberry which ended in the acquittal of the Marquess and the arrest of Wilde.

M. HYDE gives a very clear picture of the three persons chiefly concerned in the story: Wilde himself, the Marquess of Queensberry, and the Marquess's son, Lord Alfred Douglas.

He shows Wilde as a man of intense vanity, a brilliant conversationalist, a successful writer of plays, and so much the leader of decadent Society that he was pilloried in the Gilbert and Sullivan opera *Patience*. Hyde describes Lord Queensberry as being mentally unbalanced, arrogant, vain, conceited, and ill-tempered. Alfred Douglas is portrayed as being artistic and intelligent and exceptionally good looking.

The personal intimacy and indeed affection between Wilde and Alfred Douglas was extreme. There was no iniquity at any of the trials into its precise nature, but not unnaturally a great deal was made of a letter from Wilde to Douglas which contained this phrase:

* The Trials of Oscar Wilde, by H. Montgomery Hyde, William Hodge, 15s.



SIR EDWARD CARSON
A picture taken at the time of the Wilde trial in 1895.

"My dear boy... Your sound was quite lovely, and it is a marvel that those red rose leaf lips of yours should have been made no less for music of song than for madness of kisses."

It is important to remember that when they first met, Wilde was 38 and Alfred Douglas 22.

Wilde's own description of this letter was that it was a poem. An English jury may well have taken a different view.

When Lord Queensberry became aware of his son's infatuation for Wilde, he was aroused to a state of frenzy which his son's flippancy accentuated. Queensberry wrote to Alfred Douglas threatening to cut off his allowance unless the association was discontinued. Douglas replied with a telegram: "What a funny little man you are."

To a father possessed of an ill-balanced mind, such a telegram may well have only added fuel to the flames.

Queensberry visited the various restaurants frequented by his son and Wilde threatening to thrash them both if they were found together, and his persecution became pronounced that Wilde contemplated proceedings in the Courts.

He was at this time presenting his play, *The Importance of Being Earnest*, at the St. James's Theatre. Queensberry appeared at the theatre on the first night with the intention of committing a disturbance, but he was refused admittance. He avenged himself by leaving a bouquet of vegetables for Wilde with the stage door keeper.

FOUR days later Queensberry left with the porter of Wilde's club a postcard to Wilde accusing him of "posing" as a man of criminal habits, the actual offensive epithet employed being misspell in the writer's fury. Wilde thereupon consulted his solicitor and decided to institute proceedings against Queensberry for a criminal libel.

Of all the strange episodes recounted by the editor of this book, Wilde's determination to institute these proceedings would seem to be the strangest. He must have been well aware of the sordid details of his own private life. How any man, however personally vain, can have taken a course which must have held him open to the certain risk of a prolonged cross-examination upon those details, almost passes comprehension.

When, at a later stage, after the conclusion of his unsuccessful prosecution of Queensberry, he consulted Sir George Lewis as to his future course, that astute lawyer replied: "What is the use of coming to me now? If you had had the sense to bring Lord Queensberry's card to me in the first place, I would have torn it up and thrown it into the fire, and told you not to make a fool of yourself."

Sir George was quite right. It was too late. The prosecution of the Marquess of Queensberry began at the Central Criminal Court in April '95. Sir Edward Clarke represented Wilde, and no counsel could have served him better. Edward Carson appeared for Queensberry, and raised the defence that the statements in the alleged libel were true.

FROM a lawyer's point of view the only interest in the trial lies in Carson's cross-examination of Wilde. It was Carson at his best. Some unknowing persons have suggested that in the earlier stages, Wilde's brilliant repartees enabled him to score over Carson, but they are wrong. Deliberately and slowly he was taken through his more erote writings until his decadence must have been apparent to everyone in court.

I had always believed that Americans talked like adenoidal meg-

TROUBLE IN CYPRUS

By DON TAYLOR

CRISES is rising in Cyprus, and the key to it lies in one word—enosis.

To the 350,000 Greeks of this Eastern Mediterranean island enosis spells union with Greece, the realisation of a dream.

To the 80,000 Turks of Cyprus it spells disaster, the end of the link with the British Empire.

To Britain it means one more threat to Empire communications, one more step out of the Middle East. Trouble in Cyprus has been threatening for three years.

Lord Webster, the Governor, flew to Britain recently to discuss with Mr. Greek Jones the refusal of Cyprus Greeks to co-operate in a new constitution.

Just after, King Paul of the Hellenes suggested that Britain give Cyprus to Greece in exchange for bases in Crete.

Amid public disorders, the new constitution has been withdrawn.

DEMAND FOR ENOSIS

The causes of disaffection are: (1) The Greek majority's demand for enosis;—Centuries before Christ Cyprus was linked with Greece. Egypt, Rome, Persia, and Arabia held sway over the island down the centuries. Richard Lion Heart once sold it to the Knights Templar, who sold it to the King of Jerusalem.

In 1573, the Turks took over. In 1878 Disraeli struck one of his bargains, and Britain took on administration.

In 1914, we annexed the island, made it a colony in 1925. In 1943, we said self-government for Cyprus was contemplated after the end of the war.

And still the ancient love for Greece grew strong in Cyprus.

ECONOMIC CHAOS

(2) Economic chaos.—Soaring prices have sent up the cost of living. The adverse trade balance has been over £1,000,000 a month this year.

The Palestine war has cost the island over £250,000. Imports have been cut almost out of existence.

The Greek Cypriots say flatly: "We want responsible Government in internal affairs—and union with Greece."

Both Left and Right wings are agreed on this broad issue. But the Right wing supports the legitimate Greek Government, while the Left wing supports the Communist General Markos.

On Greek Independence Day both the opposing parties in Cyprus held separate celebrations.

But they united in rejecting the British Government's proposals for a new government with a majority of elected members.

Religion has a great influence in Cyprus politics. But when Bishop Makarios, leader of the Right-wing Greeks, was elected as the new Archbishop of Cyprus, he announced a campaign against Communism. So the Left refused to recognise him.

Can it be wondered that the cynical murmurs: "What about enosis in Cyprus first?"

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The Cypriots admit all this—but the Greek connection is the breath of life to them.

There is a stronger case for Britain. If peace and security are to be maintained in the Eastern Mediterranean, we must have a foothold, and Cyprus is only 44 miles from Asia Minor.

Steadier heads in Greece and Cyprus recognise this. It is our job to link that argument with aspirations of independence. We have, too, our duty to the Turks of the Island.

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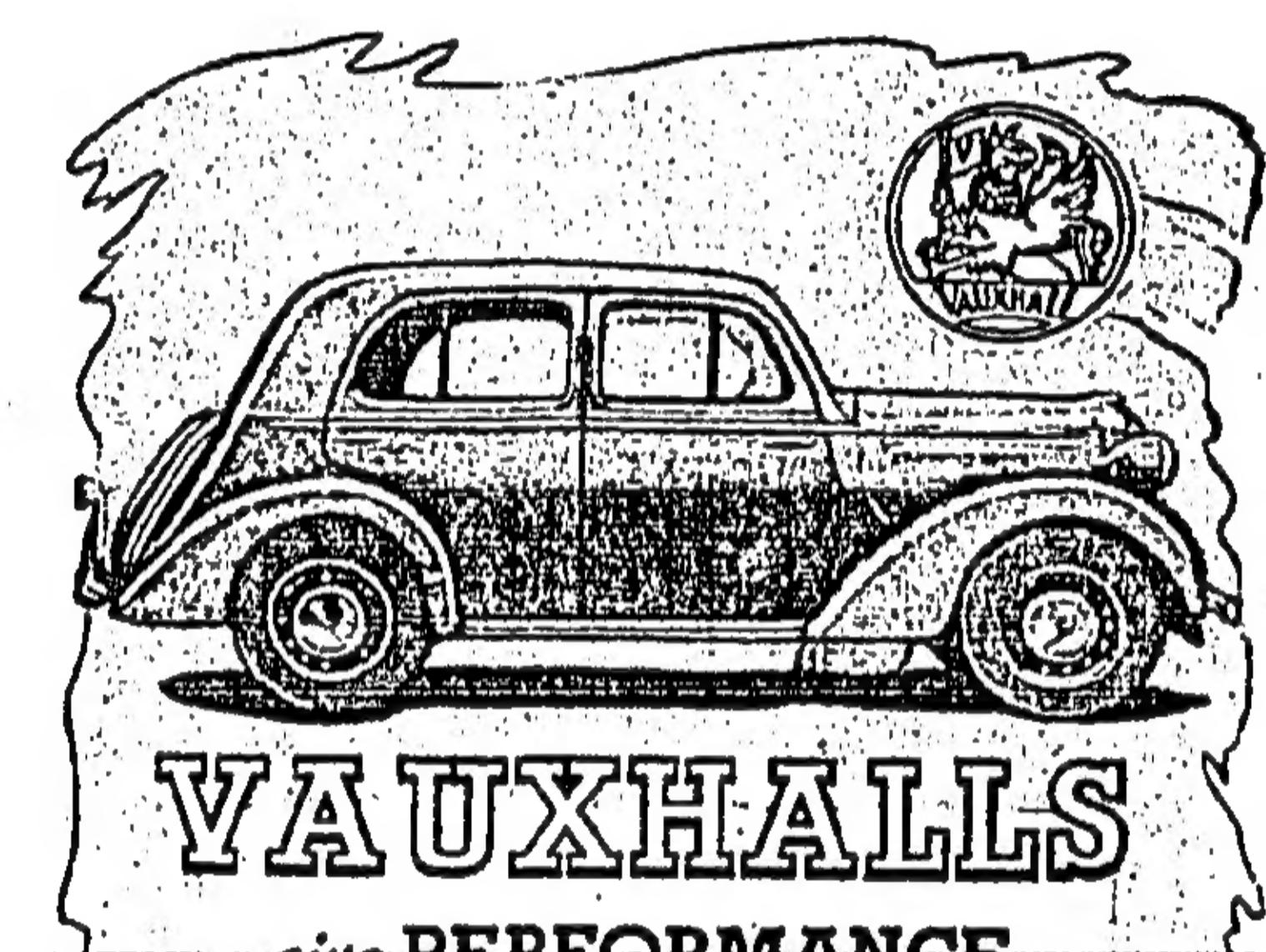
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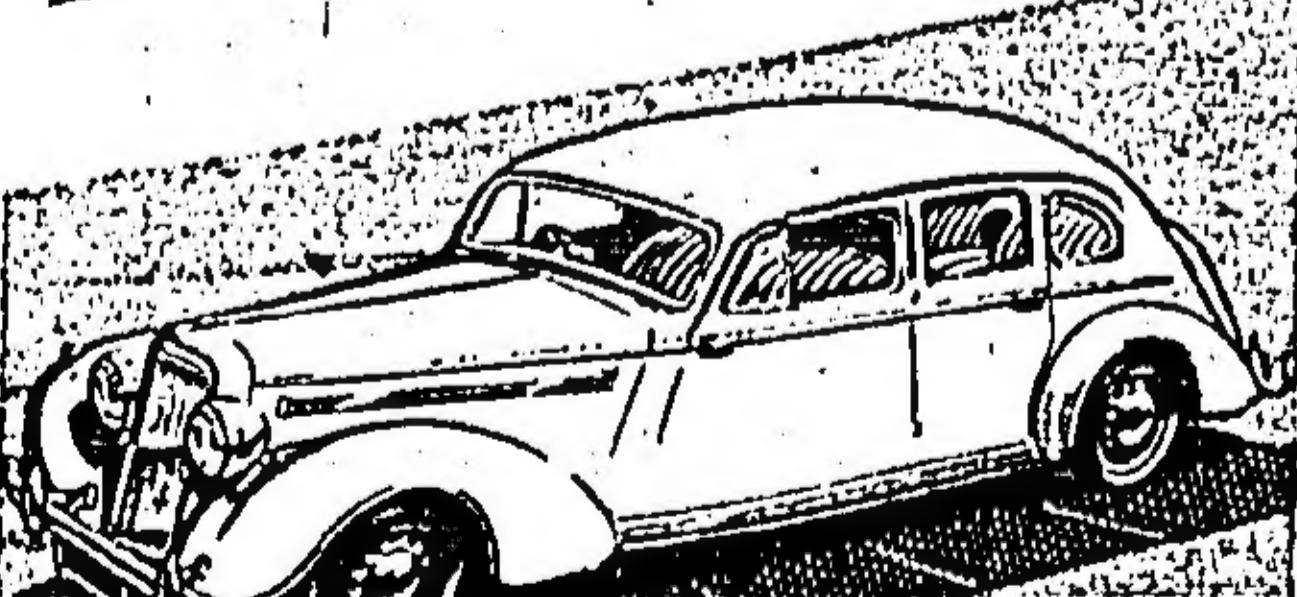
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YOUR BIRTHDAY

by STELLA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

BORN today, the gods were smiling and gave you a super-abundance of intent. It remains for you, however, to develop it do its utmost. Genius may be born, but to be fully appreciated, it must be properly nurtured, as well.

You have a strong will and intellectual powers beyond average, especially in the fields of art and music. You also have a keen interest in science and might become outstanding as a research technician. Your memory is good and you are able to retain facts and figures to an unusual degree.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

BORN today, you are the type of person whose plans and ideas always seem to be backed by those who can push them forward successfully. Your talents are original and creative and if you select your opportunities properly, you can reach an unusual degree of success.

You are a born leader in ideas, as well as of people, and your keen sense of humour is known far and wide. Honesty is one of your chief traits; blunt outspokenness, second only to this. You enjoy beautiful and costly things, and will work hard to secure them. You enjoy also being surrounded by

CAPRICORN (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Romance and marriage are favoured today. Forget business troubles right now, and give heart interests a chance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Spiritual development can bring exceptional happiness to you today. Take part in Church or Community activities.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—An emotional day. A new friend or a fresh romance may brighten it considerably. Seek fresh happiness.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Creative talent along artistic lines appear to be developing today's new ideas. They may turn into a winner.

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—A new romance or an unexpected journey to visit someone you love may brighten this day immeasurably.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Health is important now. Guard it. Be reasonable and don't let your emotions get into control of good common sense.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Keep a level head to avert any consequences of generally negative tendency. Make no compromises, however.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A friendly day but one in which you should make concessions to health. Rest and relax; store up new energy.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—All matters having to do with medicine or chemistry appear favoured. Be constructive in today's activities.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Mental and spiritual development today can bring increased contentment. Conservative action is now best for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Forget business today. Take a pleasure trip with your loved ones and enjoy yourself. Relax completely.

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you can get it. Efficient workers will get their rewards now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Business advantages increase. You may start expansion if you are conservative and careful in your plans.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Unexpected results—and all of them good—may be anticipated if previous work has been of high calibre.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—An unexpected change can bring improved conditions. Recognise a new opportunity, even if disguised as duty.

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Skeleton Crossword

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GENTLEMEN LOSE BY AN INNINGS AND 81

Lords, Aug. 27.—The Australian cricket tourists beat the Gentlemen of England by an innings and 81 runs. The Gentlemen were all out in their second innings for 284 runs.

When Loxton took the new ball after lunch, Palmer showed unexpected aggression by scoring ten runs in the first over. In trying to push away a bumper from Miller, he touched the ball on to his wicket at 173.

The Australians looked more purposeful than before the interval. Edrich ducked each time Miller pitched short but Donnelly hooked these slurs until he mistimed his stroke and lifted a catch to square leg at 191.

When Ring dismissed Edrich and Marin in the same over, five wickets were down for 217 and the Gentlemen needed 140 runs to avoid an innings defeat with an hour and ten minutes left for play.

Edrich made his 128 in three and a quarter hours and hit 22 fours. After Edrich had left, wickets fell quickly. Yardley played-on to a Ring spinner, Wooller followed when caught on the leg boundary, trying a big hit off the same bowler.

The end was in sight when Robins was clean bowled by Johnson. The remaining batsmen showed little opposition and the match ended with the Australians successful by an innings and 81 runs.

The Lord's crowd was allowed on the ground at the end of today's match and called for Bradman and sang "Happy birthday to you," and "He's a jolly good fellow."

Bradman came out on the balcony and waved to his colleagues Brown and Loxton, draped in bath-towels, had appeared.

THE SCOREBOARD

Australians—1st innings—610 for five declared.

Gentlemen of England—1st innings—245.

	2nd Innings
Simpson, c Bradman, b Ring	27
Edrich, Saenger, b Ring	128
Palmer, b Miller	29
Donnelly, Barnes, b Miller	8
Yardley, b Ring	18
Mann, c and b Ring	0
Robins, c Johnson, b Johnson	19
Brown, b Johnson	5
Brown, not out	14
Brown, c Brown, b Johnson	17
Griffiths, b Johnson	0
Extras	10
Total	284

AMERICANS WIN AGA KHAN CUP

Dublin, Aug. 27.—The United States team tonight won the Aga Khan Cup, top event of the week, at the Dublin International Horse Show. The team had 32 faults.

England and France tied for second and third places with 48 each. Sweden was fourth with 55 faults and Ireland fifth with 60.

Italy did not compete. The leader of the Italian team, Colonel G. Conforti, was injured and unable to ride following his two falls yesterday. The Italians were therefore unable to make up a full team.

The competition was decided on the best three of four horses over two rounds of the course.

The prize for the best individual performance was taken by Captain J. W. Russell (United States), riding Airmail, with a total of only two faults—one in each round.

In a gaily atmosphere, President Sean O'Kelly of Eire took the salute as military bands played the national anthems of the United States, Britain, France, Sweden and Eire. Bands also led the teams into the arena with stirring marches.

President O'Kelly presented the prizes at the end of the tournament. —United Press.

CHANNEL SWIM SUNDAY

Dover, England, Aug. 27.—Five men and a woman will try to swim the English Channel on Sunday if the weather is right.

One of them, Englishman Tom Blower, hopes to make it across and back in the same day. He is poised at Dover.

The others, who are waiting at Cap Gris Nez in France, are Miss Elsa Andersen of Denmark and four Egyptians—Marich Hassan Hamad, Hasan Abdel Rehim, Fahmy Attia and Abel el Megid Mohammed, who try to beat the speed record for the crossing set in 1928 by Georges Michael of France, who made it in 11 hours and five minutes. —Associated Press.

French Horses

Fail At York

York, Aug. 27.—French race horse owners who expected to pick up two rich stakes at York today were beaten into second place in each of the feature events.

The Aga Khan's Migoli won the Duke of York four-year-old Stakes with £1,500 added from Mr. Marcel Boussac's Deleai. Mons. T. Dupre's Menstrier was third in the field of four in the one-mile gallop.

Sir Ohlsson's Proteo, a 100 to 6 shot, won the Gallois three-year-old Stakes with £550 added over a mile and a half from Madame L. Lawrence's Donatellina. King George's Young Entry was third.

M. Marcel Boussac's Corin, a 3 to 1 favourite in the field of 13, finished in the pack. —Associated Press.

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Inauguration Of Korean Republic



Syngman Rhee (standing, right), first president of Korea, speaks at the ceremony in Seoul (August 14) inaugurating the Republic of Korea. At left and first behind him are Lt.-Gen. John R. Hodge (in dark glasses), U.S. military commander of South Korea, and Gen. Douglas MacArthur, supreme allied commander in Japan. —AP Picture.

DAVIS CUP PREVIEW

Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, Aug. 27.—A preview of the approaching Davis Cup battle between the United States and Australia, will be offered to tennis fans on Friday in the doubles championships played here.

Second-seeders Frank Parker and Ted Schroeder, of United States will meet the Australian pair of Colin Long and Geoff Brown, No. 1 foreign seedlings.

These men may not represent their countries as doubles pairs in the Davis Cup challenge round at Forest Hills on September 4-6, but Friday's match will give the team captains an opportunity to judge their individual abilities before determining their final line-ups. —United Press.

Values Himself At \$1,250,000

Chicago, Aug. 27.—Arthur J. Lopatka today sued Philadelphia Phillies for \$1,250,000 for allegedly completely disabling him as a pitcher.

Lopatka filed the suit with the Federal district court charging that Commissioner A. B. Chandler had "wilfully and wrongfully failed to adjust the case or even investigate" and asked the court to rule Chandler out as an umpire in the case and demanded a jury trial.

He charged that Phillips forced him to take a relief turn at pitching although the Club knew that the index finger of his pitching hand was fractured. He said when he was no longer useful, he was released unconditionally after the 1947 season.

In Pittsburgh, the Phillies coach, who asked that his name be withheld, said as far as he knew Lopatka never complained of a hurt finger when the then manager, Ben Chapman, asked him to pitch. He said Lopatka was released because he "didn't have the stuff and lost consistently." —United Press.

The last four Worcester second innings' wickets put on 254 runs while Outshoorn, obviously well-coinciding the brilliant sunshine, battled with a delightful freedom, hitting nine fours during two hours 40 minutes at the crease.

THE RESULTS

At Leicester, Warwickshire beat Leicestershire by six wickets and 43 runs. Leicestershire 207 and 193 (Lester 67). Warwickshire 443 for one run declared.

At the Oval: Surrey beat Northamptonshire by 57 runs. Surrey 178 and 206. Northamptonshire 175 and 242 (Webster 65, Bedser 4 for 44).

At Manchester: Lancashire beat Kent by seven wickets. Kent 195 and 212 (Roberts 6 for 77). Lancashire 278 for eight declared and 133 for three.

At Hove: Nottinghamshire beat Sussex by nine wickets. Nottinghamshire 391 and 27 for one. Sussex 210 and 206.

At Gloucester: Gloucestershire beat the Combined Services by four wickets. Combined Services 223 and 300 (Milner 3 for 16). Gloucestershire 234 and 301 for six.

At Claxton: Essex beat Worcestershire by six wickets. Worcestershire 300 and 279. (Outshoorn not out 110). Essex 422 for six declared and 104 for four (Roy Smith not out 53). —Reuters.

Happy Homecoming

New York, Aug. 27.—One hundred and eighty United States Olympic athletes came home today to the loudest New York Harbour celebration since the return of the first soldier contingent after the war.

In the group aboard the Washington were 31 gold medal winners.

The liner was escorted up the Harbour by two police boats and a pair of fire boats spouted water sprays as 5,000 spectators watched from the dock.

Mr. As Bushnell, Secretary of the U. S. Olympic Committee, who was in charge of the group, said "this expedition was a complete satisfying success in all respects. The trip was perhaps the most harmonious and pleasant in the history of such pilgrimages." —Associated Press.

At Gothenburg: Gloucestershire beat the Gaevle Sports Club by 223 and 300 (Milner 3 for 16). Gloucestershire 234 and 301 for six.

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